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Presented by
THE ANNUAL STAFF
of
Franklin High School
Franklin, North Carolina

Appreciation



We, the Senior Class of 1956,
wish to express our appreciation
to

George R. "Doc" McSween

who has given unselfishly of his
time and services for the betterment
of the athletic program of F. H. S.

Dedication



The Senior Class of 1956 proudly
dedicates this edition of
The Laurel Leaf
to
Ralph L. Smith
whose encouragement and
inspiration shall never be forgotten

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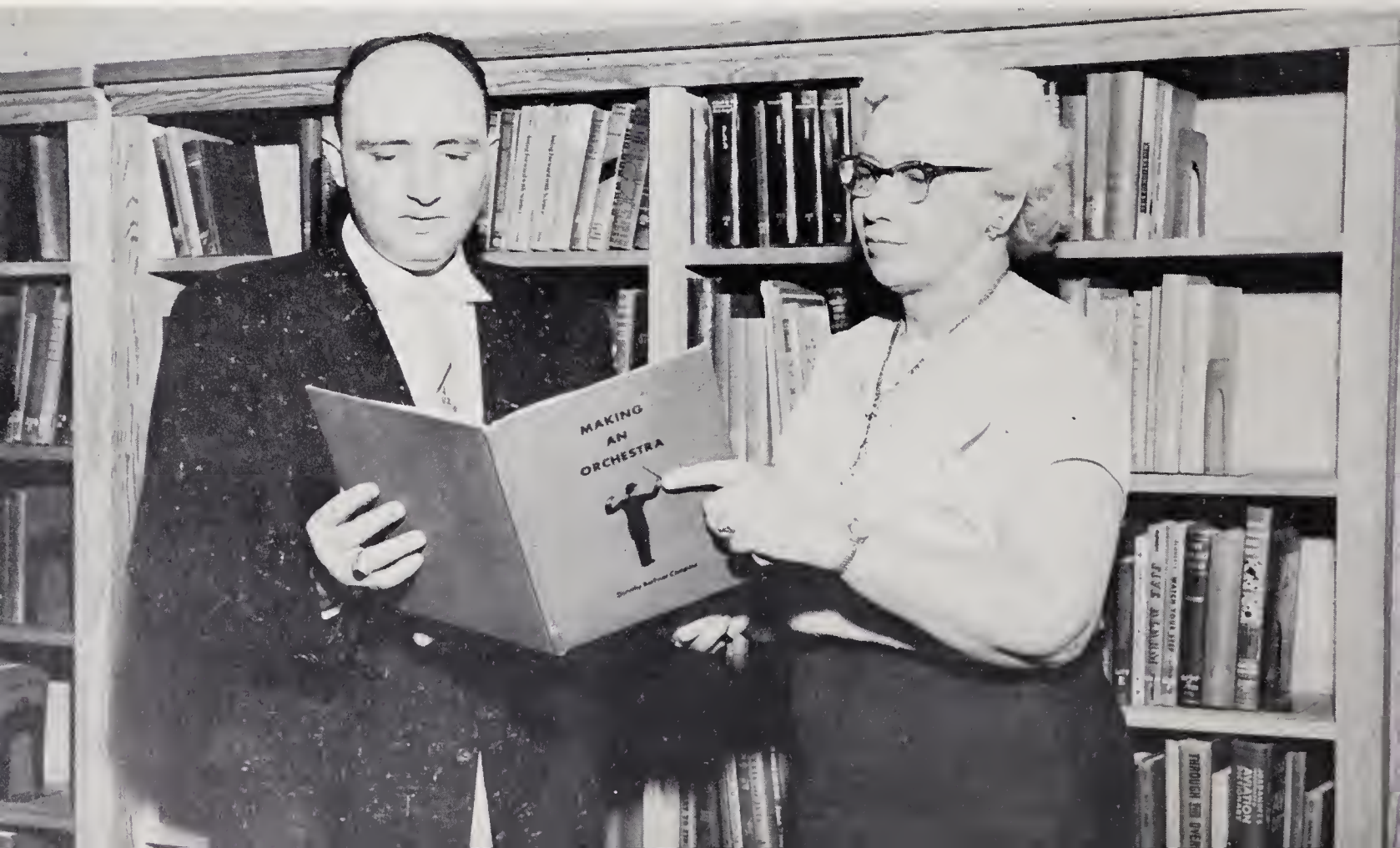


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BETTY JEAN ALLEN

"Bet"

Motto: "If at first you don't succeed, try, try again."

Activities: Basketball 1,4; F.T.A. 3; Glee Club 1; Student Council 4; Math Club 1.

Hobby: Reading and going places

Future Plans: Blanton's Business College



CHARLES EARL AMMONS

"Doc"

Motto: "Don't do today what you can put off until tomorrow."

Activities: F.F.A. 1,2,3, Sentinel 4; Reporter.

Hobby: Hunting

Future Plans: Undecided



THOMAS WARRIOR
ANGEL

"Devil"

Motto: "Never ask, refuse, or forget an offer."

Activities: Football 2,3,4; Baseball 3,4; Monogram Club 3,4; Band 1; Glee Club 3; Photography Club 1; Class Treas. 2; Dramatics Club 2,3, Pres. 4.

Hobby: Hunting

Future Plans: College

SENIORS



JERRY THOMAS BAILEY

"Beetle"

Motto: "Live for tonight."

Activities: Football 3,4; Monogram Club 4; Wildlife Club 2; Athletic Manager 1; Golf Club 1.

Hobby: Hunting

Future Plans: Undecided



JOE PAUL BALLEW

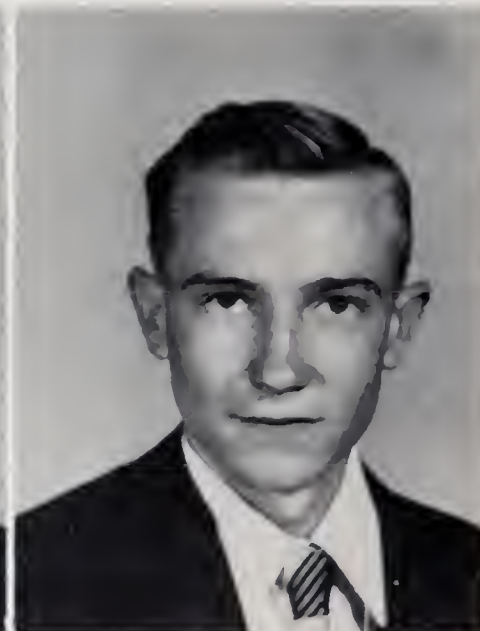
"Joe Palooka"

Motto: "One fist of iron and the other of steel. If the right one don't get you the left one will."

Activities: F.F.A. 1,2,3,4.

Hobby: Hunting, fishing, and eating

Future Plans: Undecided



JOHNNY LEE BALLEW

"Blueboy"

Motto: "Let your conscience be your guide."

Activities: F.F.A. 1,2,3,4.

Hobby: Hunting

Future Plans: Undecided



HUGH LOUIN BLAINE

"Hubert"

Motto: "Hurry, tomorrow may be too late."

Activities: Science Club 1,2; Server at Jr.-Sr. Banquet; Photography Club 3,4; Beta Club 3.

Hobby: Photography and Sports
Future Plans: Undecided



**LAWRENCE LEE
BRADLEY**

"Cannon Ball"

Motto: "Work to help someone instead of hurting one."

Activities: Basketball 1,2; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4.

Hobby: Driving
Future Plans: Uncle Sam



**MARVEL ELAINE
BRENDLE**

"Curley"

Motto: "Let him who deserves it reap the reward."

Activities: Photography Club 2.

Hobby: Reading
Future Plans: College

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WANDA FAYE BRENDLE

"Pee Wee"

Motto: "Be a good friend and you will always have good friends."

Activities: Photography Club

Hobby: Traveling
Future Plans: Work



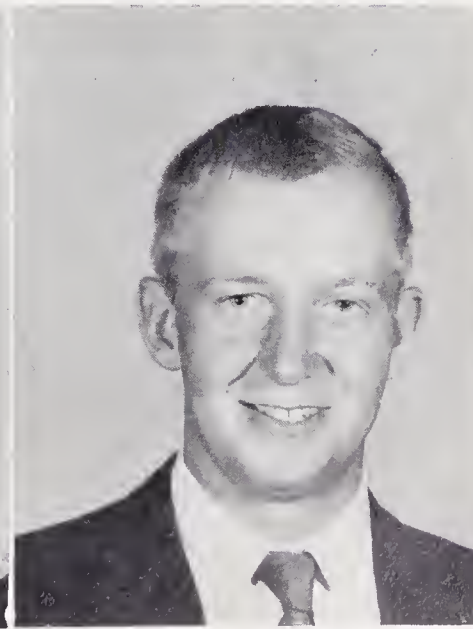
MARY RUTH BROOKS

"Brooks"

Motto: "Conduct and courage lead to honor."

Activities: Photography Club 2,3, Vice-Pres. 4; Backache Club 1.

Hobby: Reading and collecting snapshots
Future Plans: Undecided



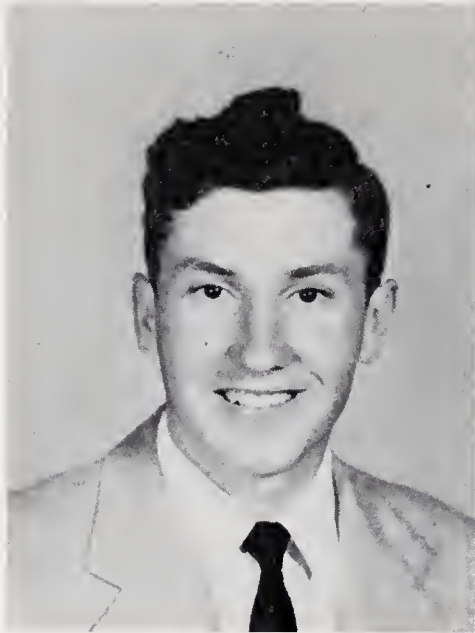
**KENNETH FREEMAN
BROWN**

"Ken"

Motto: "Live and Learn."

Activities: Football 2,3,4; Monogram Club 3,4; 4-H Club 1,2, Sec.-Treas. 3.

Hobby: Going to Ga., eating, hunting and fishing
Future Plans: Undecided



RALEIGH BRYAN
BUCHANAN

"Buck"

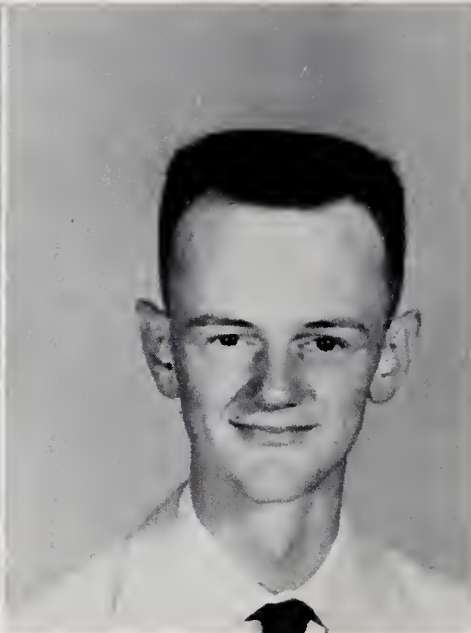
Motto: "Prove all things, hold fast to that which is right."
Activities: Science Club 1; Wildlife Club 2,3; Library Club 4.
Hobby: Hunting and fishing
Future Plans: Uncertain



JERELENE CLARK
BUNTING

"Gerrie"

Motto: "A little learning is a dangerous thing."
Activities: Art Club 1; Band 2; Basketball 3; Home Ec. Club 3; Chorus 2.
Hobby: Reading, writing letters, and traveling
Future Plans: Beauty School and housewife

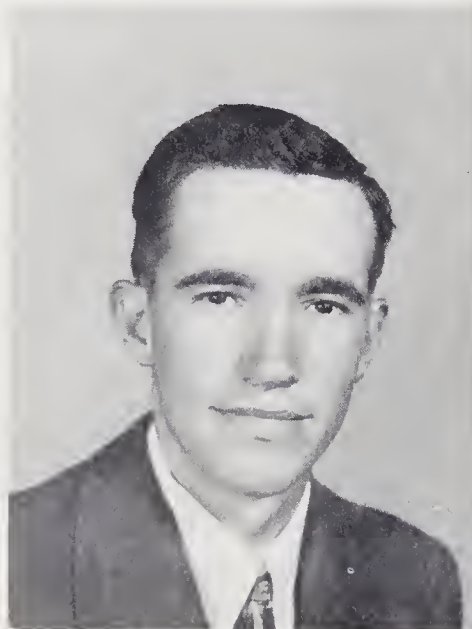


CLARENCE DANNY
BYRD

"Birdie"

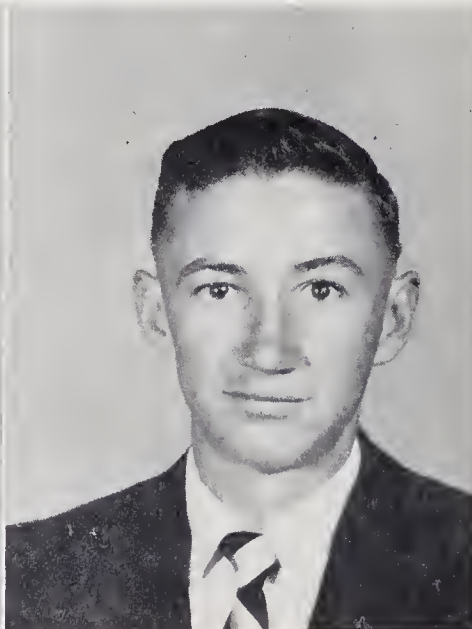
Motto: "A friend in need is a friend in deed."
Activities: Science Club 1; Wildlife Club 2; Photography Club 3; WCC Field Day Arts and Crafts 3.
Hobby: Movies and girls
Future Plans: Blanton's Business College

SENIORS



HAROLD LEE CABE

Motto: "Sometimes I wonder but I really don't want to know."
Activities: Science Club 2.
Hobby: Dating Judy, hunting, fishing, and parties
Future Plans: Uncle Sam's Air Force, then operating a business



JACOB WILBUR CABE

"Wib"

Motto: "Sometimes it's better to break a rule than to break a heart."
Activities: Beta Club 3,4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Server at Jr.-Sr. Banquet; Jr. Marshal; Student Council 3.
Hobby: Tinkering with machines and hunting



NANCY THERESA CABLE

"Nancy Belle"

Motto: "Every man is an architect of his own fortune."
Activities: 4-H Club 1,2,3, Vice-Pres. 4, Pres.; Jr. Marshal; Laurel Leaf 3,4; Beta Club 3,4; Language Club 4.
Hobby: Piano, reading and driving
Future Plans: Wake Forest



FRANCES ANN
CARPENTER

"Fran"

Motto: "When in doubt, do the friendliest thing."

Activities: Chorus 1; Home Ec. Club 1; Art and Photography Club 2; Library Club 4; Arts and Crafts Club 3.

Hobby: Oil painting and traveling
Future Plans: Work for the FBI



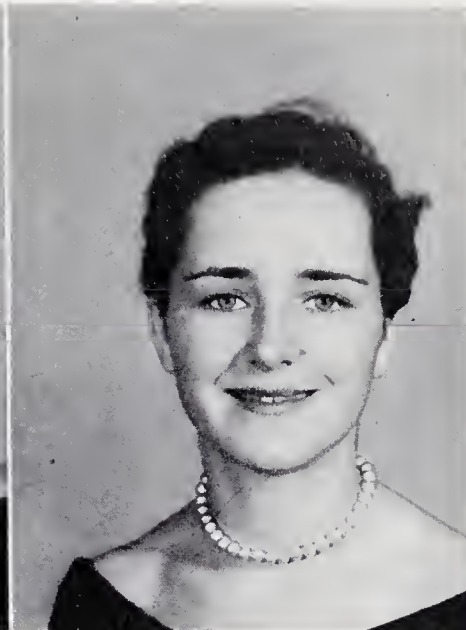
GLADYS LORENE
CARPENTER

"Pee Wee"

Motto: "It's better to have it and not need it than to need it and not have it."

Activities: Home Ec. Club 1; Art and Photography Club 2,3; Library Club 4.

Hobby: Singing and Cooking
Future Plans: Work for the FBI



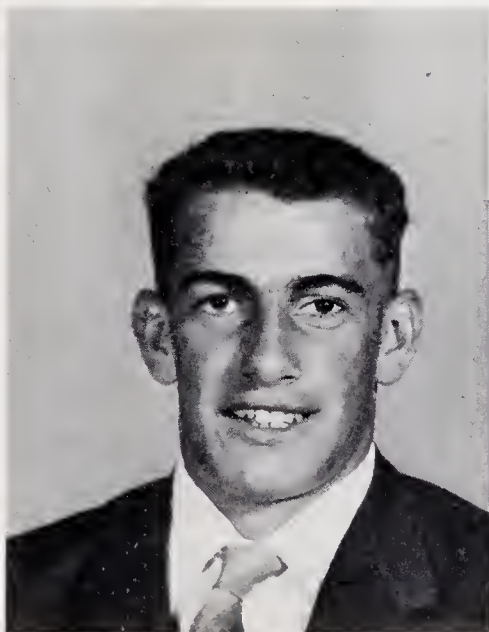
MARGARET ELIZABETH
CARPENTER

"Betty"

Motto: "Not finished, just begun."

Activities: Chorus 1,2,3; F.H.A. 1, 2; Photography Club 4.

Hobby: Collecting stamps and reading
Future Plans: Blanton's Business College



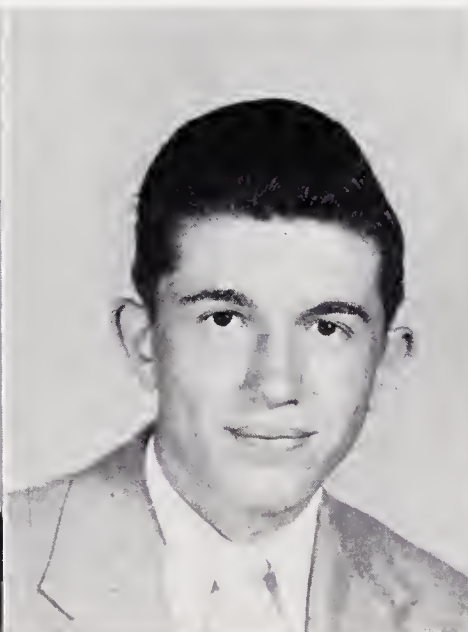
FRANK DELANO CONLEY

"Frank"

Motto: "Live fast, love hard, die young."

Activities: F.F.A. 1,2,3,4.

Hobby: Sleeping
Future Plans: Work



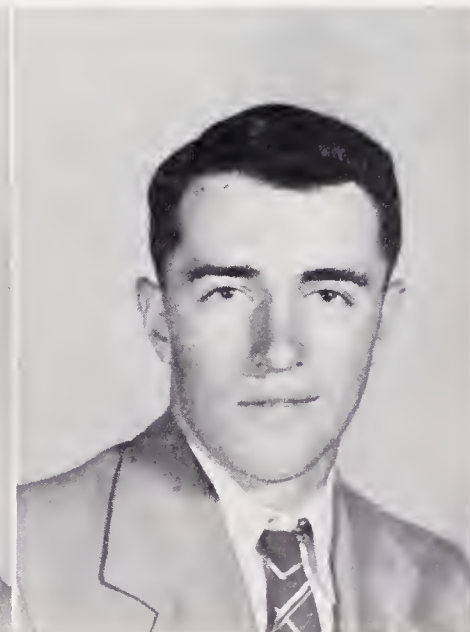
EARL MAX CORBIN

"Loverboy"

Motto: "Be better to your teachers and you'll have better teachers."

Activities: Science Club 1; Wildlife Club 1,2,3,4, Vice-Pres.; Basketball 4; Baseball 4; Chorus 3; Safety Patrol 3; World Peace Club 3.

Hobby: Singing, courting, and basketball
Future Plans: Air Force



LOWELL THOMAS
CORBIN

"Smiley"

Motto: "Do what you should do at all times."

Activities: Football 3,4; Baseball 3,4; Monogram Club 4; Science Club 1; Wildlife Club 1,2.

Hobby: Fishing, hunting and athletics
Future Plans: Undecided



HESBY GRADY CRISP

"Heb"

Motto: "Strive for the right."
Activities: Science Club 1; Wildlife Club 1,2,3,4.
Hobby: Hunting, fishing and eating
Future Plans: Work



BARBARA ELIZABETH CUNNINGHAM

"Coot"

Motto: "Look like the innocent flower but be the serpent under it."
Activities: Basketball 2; Monogram Club 2,3,4; F.H.A. 1; 4-H 1.
Hobby: Driving
Future Plans: Work



JIMMY LOWELL CURTIS

"Jim"

Motto: "Great men die, I'm feeling bad!"
Activities: Science Club 1; Photography Club 2,3; Baseball 4.
Hobby: Hunting and fishing
Future Plans: Work for Uncle Sam

SENIORS



MARY NANCY DAYTON

"Buck-shot"

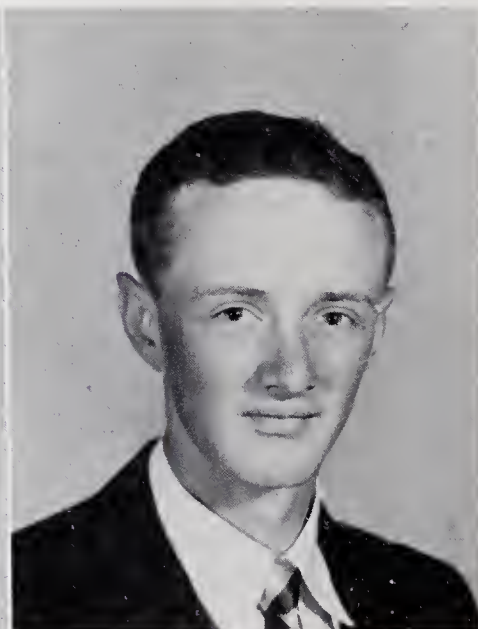
Motto: "Actions speak louder than words."
Activities: F.H.A. 2; F.B.L.A. 1,3; Dramatics Club 4.
Hobby: Listening to music and going places
Future Plans: Work and Blanton's Business College



NANCY JOYCE DEITZ

"Longfellow"

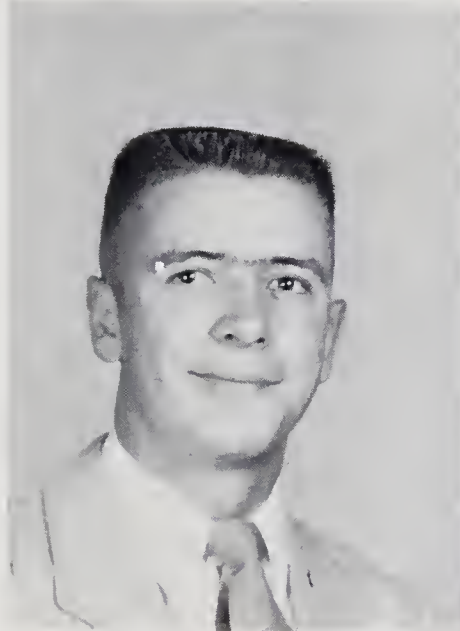
Motto: "It's not what happens to us—it's how we react to it."
Activities: Art Club 1, Pres.; Photography Club 2,3; Library Club 4, Pres.; WCC Field Day Arts and Crafts 1; Dramatics Club 4.
Hobby: Oil painting, collecting reproductions of famous pictures and talking
Future Plans: Uncertain



GLENN DILLS

"Doc"

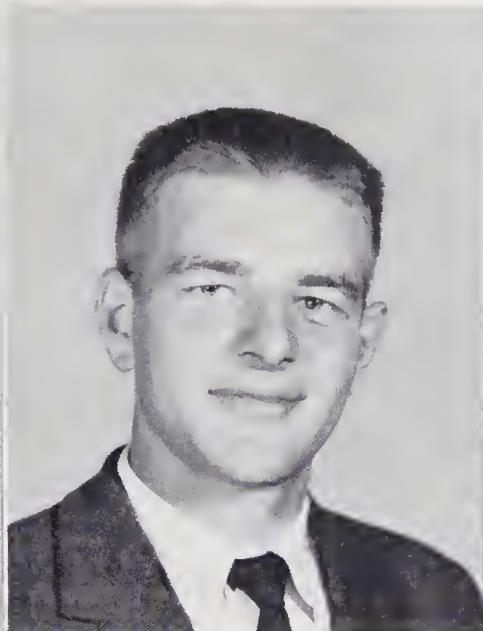
Motto: "Better late than never."
Activities: Safety Patrol 1,2,3; Science Club 1; Photography Club 2.
Hobby: Fly Tying
Future Plans: Armed Forces



KENNETH MARION
DILLS

"Crew-cut Kid"

Motto: "Not finished, just begun."
Activities: F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Member
of Parliamentary Procedure
team 2,3; WCC Field Day Al-
gebra 2.
Hobby: Driving
Future Plans: College



CHARLES MARCUS
DOWDLE

"Waterdog"

Motto: "Never give a woman a
chance."
Activities: Football 1,2,3,4, Co-
Capt.; Monogram Club 2,3,4,
V.-Pres.; Science Club 2; F.F.A.
3,4, Pres.; Student Council 2,3,
4; Athletic Manager 1; Class
Vice-Pres. 3, Pres. 4.
Hobby: Dragging Main
Future Plans: College



JOAN DRYMAN

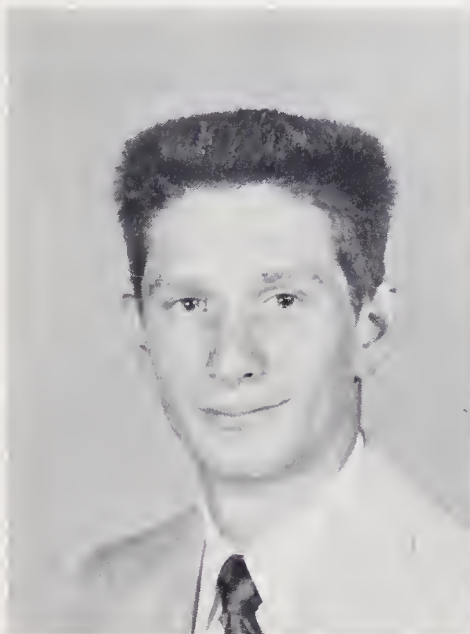
"Jo"

Motto: "Be resolved and the thing
is done."
Activities: F.H.A. 1; Language
Club 2; WCC Field Day Latin
2; Library Club 4.
Hobby: Reading
Future Plans: Nurses Training

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LYLE GARRISON ESTES

"Red"

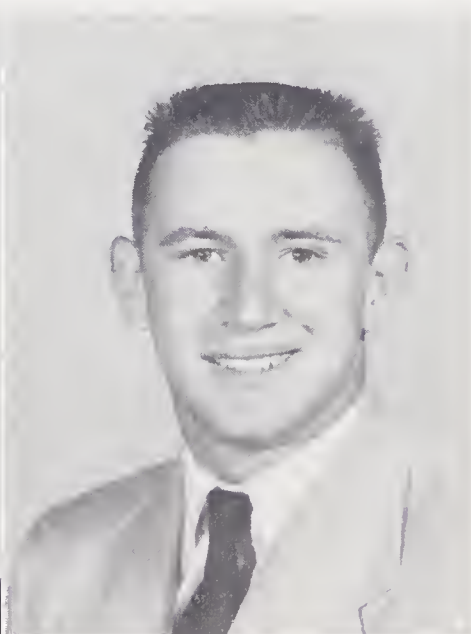
Motto: "Don't judge a book by
its cover."
Activities: Wildlife Club 1,4;
Science Club 1.
Hobby: Eating, sleeping and girls
Future Plans: Undecided



JOANN ESTES

"Red"

Motto: "Life without books is
death."
Activities: F.H.A. 1,2.
Hobby: Courting and eating
Future Plans: Work



JERRY PARKER FINNEY

"Finrod"

Motto: "Find the fool, then for-
get them."
Activities: Football 4; Baseball 3,
4; Science Club 1; Wildlife Club
2,3; Monogram Club 4.
Hobby: Hunting girls
Future Plans: Uncle Sam's Army



HANNAH JOSEPHINE
GILLESPIE

"Alfalfa"

Motto: "Doing what comes naturally."

Activities: Beta Club 3,4; Language Club 3,4; F.H.A. 1, Historian 2, Vice-Pres.; Mt. Echo Staff 3,4; Server at Jr.-Senior Banquet; Quill and Scroll 4; Dramatics Club 4; Debate Club 1,2, Vice-Pres; Chorus 1.

Hobby: Horseback riding, men and meanness

Future Plans: College



HARMON THOMAS
GNUSE

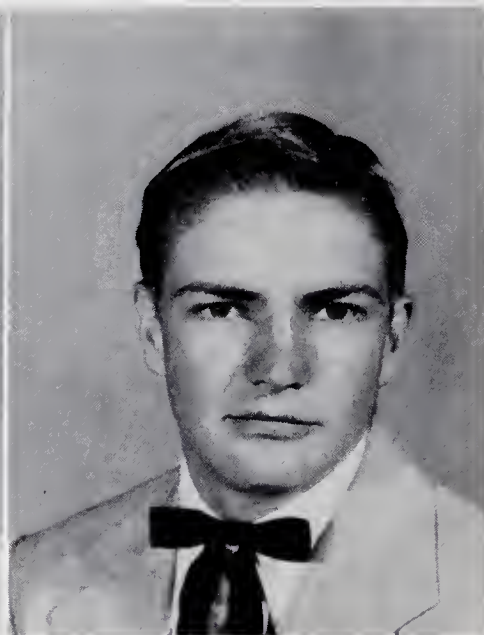
"Tommy"

Motto: "Silence is the virtue of fools."

Activities: Beta Club 3,4, Pres. 4; Boy's State 3; Basketball 3,4; Baseball 2,3,4; Monogram Club 3,4; Language Club 1,2,3, Pres. 2,3; Photography Club 1,2,3, Pres. 2,3; Class Sec.-Treas. 1, Treas. 4; FHS Handbook Committee 2,3; Laurel Leaf 3,4, Editor-in-Chief 4; Server at Jr.-Sr. Banquet; Jr. Marshal; Quill and Scroll 4; Golf Team 3; WCC Field Day World Hist. 2, Physics 3; Sports Editor, Mt. Echo 1,2,3,4.

Hobby: Photography

Future Plans: College



JAMES WALLACE
GRAHAM

"Pop"

Motto: "Them that can may; them that can't shouldn't try."

Activities: Dramatics Club 1; Wildlife Club 3,4; Mt. Echo 2.

Hobby: Drawing, music, hunting, fishing, hiking, camping, and writing to Texas

Future Plans: Undecided

SENIORS



CARROLL JACKSON
GREGORY

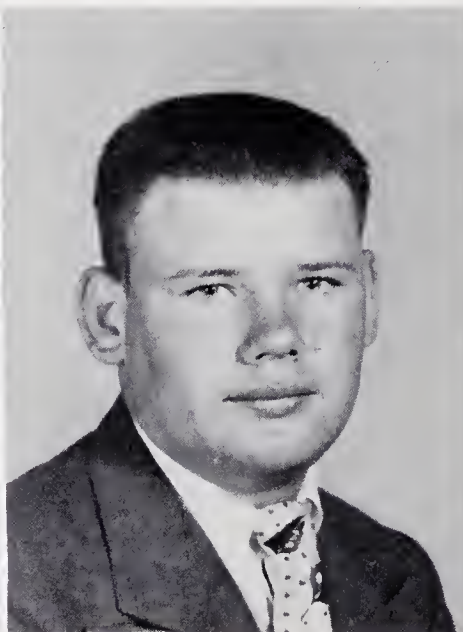
"Jackson"

Motto: "So long it has been good to know you."

Activities: F.F.A. 1,2,3,4.

Hobby: Sleeping

Future Plans: Work



CHARLES PARKER
GREGORY

"Chase"

Motto: "Eat, drink, and be merry, for tomorrow you may die."

Activities: Football 3; Monogram Club 3,4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4.

Hobby: Resting

Future Plans: Work



BETTY LEE GUFFIE

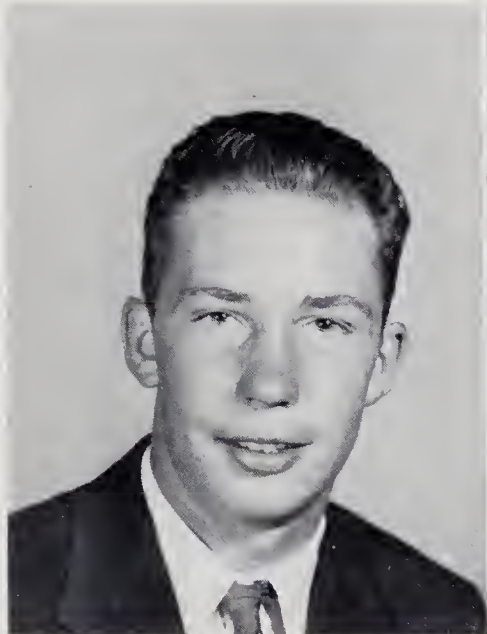
"Betty"

Motto: "Dark clouds gather: but somewhere the stars are shining, so shine with them."

Activities: F.B.L.A. 1,3; Home Ec. 2; Dramatics Club 4.

Hobby: Traveling and writing Jewel Ray and poetry.

Future Plans: Blantons Business College



ZEB VANCE GUFFIE, JR.

"El Guffo"

Motto: "It won't be long now."
Activities: Football 1,2,3,4; Monogram Club 2,3,4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4.
Hobby: Sports
Future Plans: College



JUDSON ANDREW HALL

"Jud"

Motto: "Anytime."
Activities: Wildlife Club 2, Vice-Pres. 3,4, Pres.; Science Club 1; 4-H Club 1; Dramatics Club 4.
Hobby: Hunting and women
Future Plans: Work, serve Uncle Sam, and Blanton's Business College



MARY LEE HALL

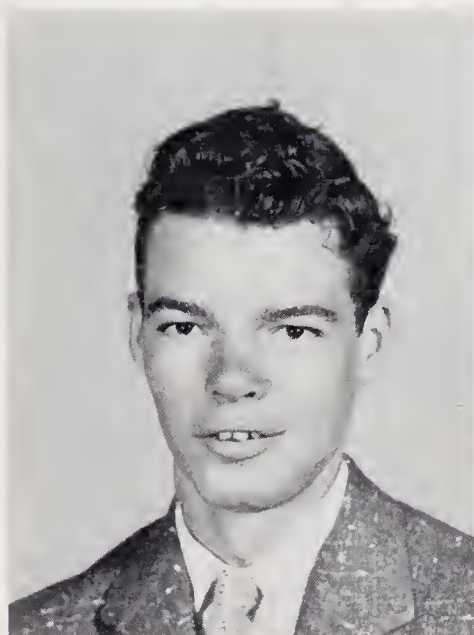
"Cissy"

Motto: "Non nobis, sed omnibus."
Activities: Chorus 2,3; Photography Club 2,3; F.H.A. 1,2,4; Mt. Echo 4; Backache Club 1; Library Asst. 2.
Hobby: Talking (to boys)
Future Plans: College

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DON N. HENRY

"Bugs"

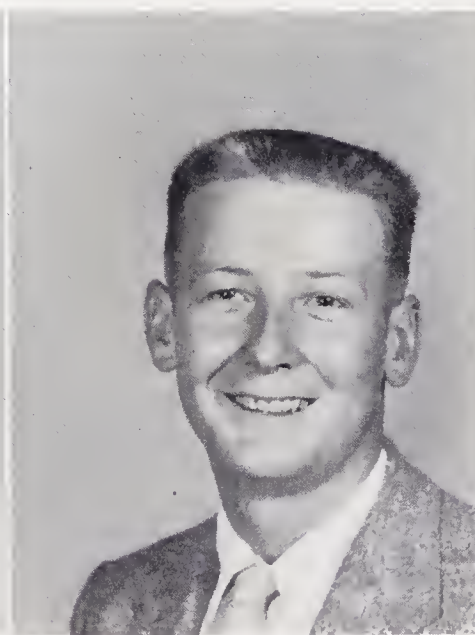
Motto: "Eat, drink, and be merry, for tomorrow you may die."
Activities: Science Club 1; Wildlife Club 2,3.
Hobby: Having a good time
Future Plans: College or Uncle Sam



J. L. HENRY

"Jaybird"

Motto: "If you hain't loving you hain't living."
Activities: Basketball 2,3,4; Monogram Club 2,3,4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4.
Hobby: Hunting
Future Plans: Undecided



FARRELL EUGENE HENSON

Motto: "Anything worth doing is worth doing right."
Activities: Basketball 1,2,3; Monogram Club 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2,3; Athletic Manager 1; Golf Club 1,2; Cheerleader 1; Glee Club 1,3.
Hobby: Spending my pastime with my girl
Future Plans: Study forestry at N. C. State College

SENIORS



THOMAS NATHANIEL
HIGDON

"Tom"

Motto: "Don't go away mad, just go away."
Activities: Football 3; Monogram Club 3,4; Science Club 1; Language Club 3,4; Golf Team 3; Wildlife Club 2; WCC Field Day Arts and Crafts 1.
Hobby: Sports
Future Plans: College



MARGARET RUTH
HOLDEN

"Rooster"

Motto: "Make the best better."
Activities: Chorus 2; Photography Club 3,4; Mt. Echo 4; Dramatics Club 1,4.
Hobby: Basketball
Future Plans: Blanton's Business College



JAMES EDWIN HORN

"Ed"

Motto: "Look to the future."
Activities:
Hobby: Working
Future Plans: Work with goal to own a business



GWEN EARL HOWARD

"Diapers"

Motto: "Take your time for that's all you have."
Activities: F.F.A. 1,2,3,4.
Hobby: Coon hunting and playing pool
Future Plans: Undecided



BERNARD HUGGINS

"Ben"

Motto: "We will proceed no further in this business."
Activities: F.F.A. 1,2,3,4, Sec.
Hobby: Hunting and fishing
Future Plans: Undecided



MARY LOUISE JONES

"Louise"

Motto: "Prove all things, hold fast to that which is good."
Activities: F.H.A. 1,4.
Hobby: Collecting pictures and writing letters
Future Plans: Work



MORRIS R. JONES

"Casey"

Motto: "A whole lot of foolishness, A big lump of wit, A head full of knowledge where there doesn't seem a bit."

Activities: Football 2,3,4, Co-Capt. 4; Basketball 3,4; Monogram Club 3,4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Dramatics Club 4.

Hobby: Playing ball
Future Plans: College



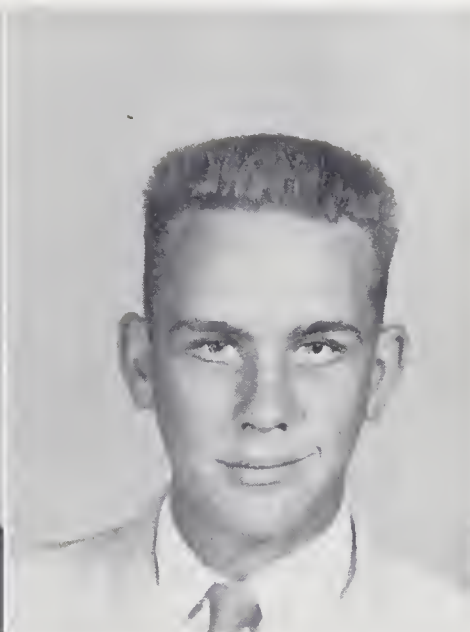
FRANK McCLURE
KILLIAN, JR.

"Unc"

Motto: Practice, practice, and practice a little more."

Activities: Football 1; Monogram Club 1,2,3,4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Mt. Echo 4.

Hobby: Sports
Future Plans: College



PAUL JUDSON
KINSLAND, JR.

"Judson"

Motto: "Look before you leap."
Activities: Football 1,2; F.F.A. 1, 2,3,4.

Hobby: All sports
Future Plans: College

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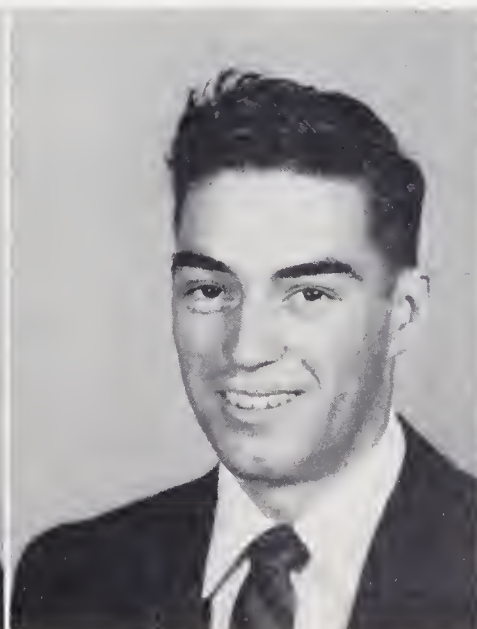


WILLA JEAN LEDFORD

"John"

Motto: "Work wins everything."
Activities: Home Ec. Club 1; Science Club 2.

Hobby: Reading
Future Plans: College



JOHN BOYD LONG, JR.

"Shark"

Motto: "It can be done."
Activities: Science Club 1,2; WCC Field Day World Hist. 3; Language Club 2.

Hobby: Relaxing
Future Plans: Unknown

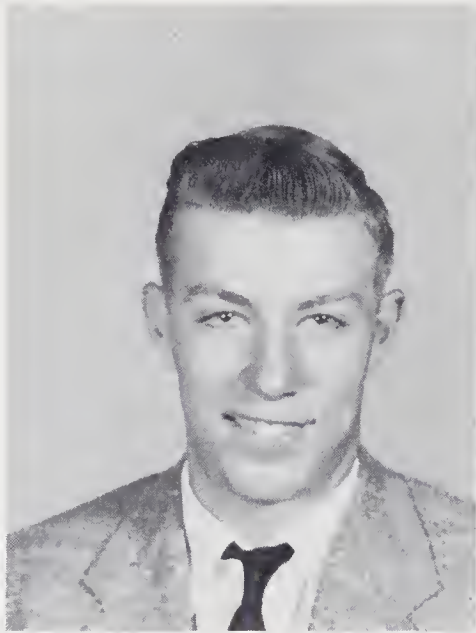


LAURA BELLE LONG

"Belle"

Motto: "Smile and the world will smile with you."
Activities: F.H.A. 2,4; Photography Club 3; Backache Club 1.

Hobby: Collecting pictures and courting Paul
Future Plans: Work



MARSHALL LEONARD
MANN

"Man"

Motto: "Let us be judged by our deeds."

Activities: F.F.A. 1,2,3,4.

Hobby: Hunting, fishing and cars

Future Plans: Work



FRANCES DEWEYETTA
MARSHALL

"Etta"

Motto: "Come what come may, time and the hour runs through the roughest day."

Activities: Dramatics Club 1,4; F.H.A. 2.

Hobby: Reading, talking, and eating

Future Plans: Work



HILDRED ALICE
MASHBURN

"Abbie and Puggie"

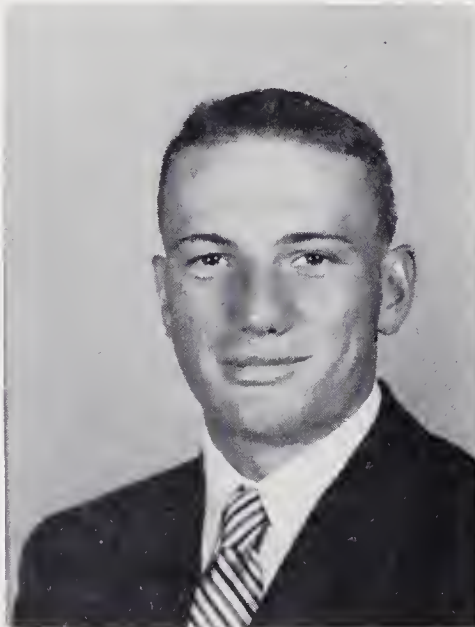
Motto: "Looking to the brighter side of life."

Activities: F.H.A. 1.

Hobby: Cooking and courting

Future Plans: Private

SENIORS



JOHNNY MASHBURN

"Runt"

Motto: "Do unto others before they do unto you."

Activities: Football 3,4; F.F.A. 1, 2,3, Reporter, Vice-Pres. 4; Student Council 1.

Hobby: Hunting and fishing

Future Plans: Visit Uncle Sam



FURMAN EDWARD
MASON

"Husky"

Motto: "To be rather than to seem."

Activities: Football 3,4; F.B.L.A. 3; Golf Club 1; Monogram Club 3,4.

Hobby: Hunting, fishing, and courting

Future Plans: Navy



BUDDY McCLURE

"Buddy"

Motto: "Whenever on the field of play, be a sportsman all the way."

Activities: Football 1,2,3,4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4.

Hobby: Fishing and hunting

Future Plans: Undecided



HAROLD MONROE
McCLURE

"Money"

Motto: "You can learn more with your mouth shut than you can with it open."

Activities: Beta Club 3,4; Science Club 1; Wildlife Club 2,3, Vice-Pres. 4; Jr. Marshal.

Hobby: Hunting

Future Plans: College



BETTY JEAN McCOLLUM

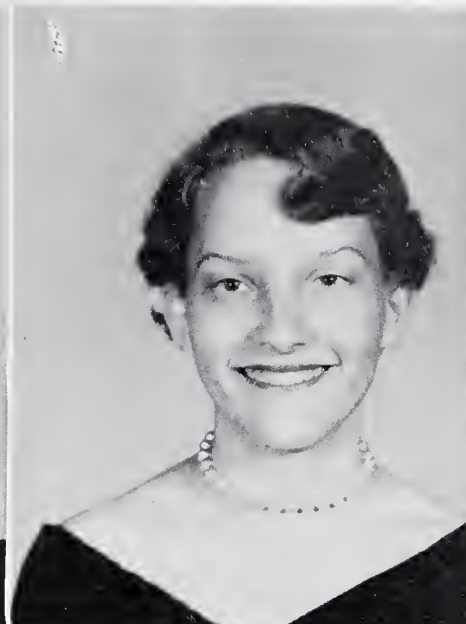
"Jeanie"

Motto: "Always ready."

Activities: Monogram Club 3,4; Band 1,2, Librarian; Chorus 1, 2,3; Language Club 1,2; Laurel Leaf 4; Cheerleader 3,4, Co-Capt.; Student Council 4; WCC Field Day 3; Dramatics Club 2; Entertained at Jr.-Sr. Banquet.

Hobby: Writing Jerry

Future Plans: College



JOY ANN McCOLLUM

"Little 'un"

Motto: "All's fair in love and war."

Activities: Monogram Club 3,4; Band 1, Librarian, Sec. 2; Chorus 1,2, Librarian; Language Club 1,2,3; Class Sec. 3,4; Cheerleader 3,4; Dramatics Club 2; Entertained at Jr.-Sr. Banquet 1,2.

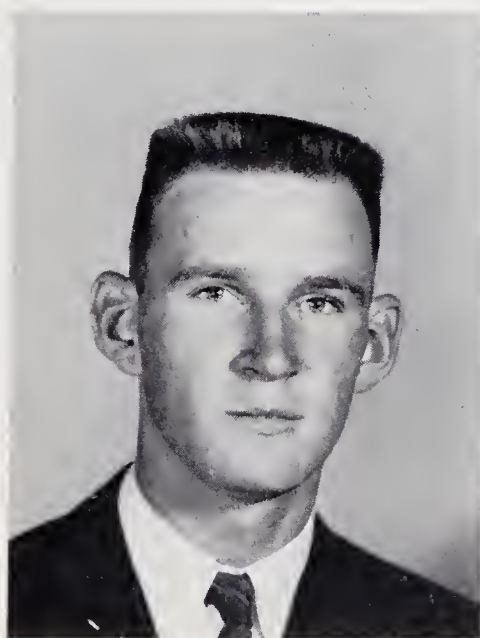
Hobby: Going to ball games and writing letters

Future Plans: Western Carolina College

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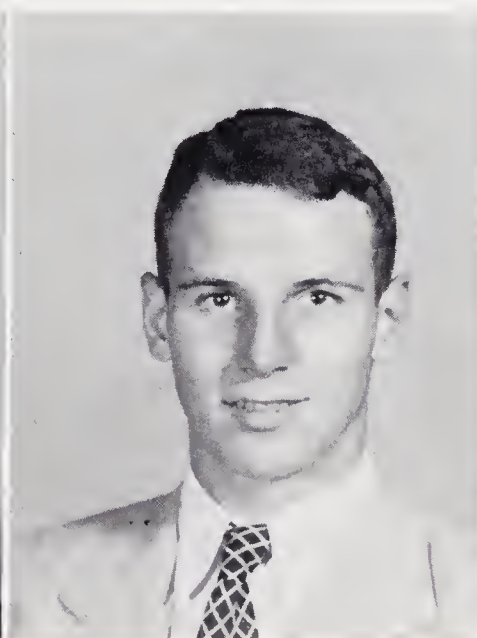
"Haffey"

Motto: "Get in that kitchen and rattle those pots and pans."

Activities: Basketball Manager 2; Baseball Manager 3,4; Football 2,3,4; Monogram Club 2,3,4; Science Club 1; F.B.L.A. 3,4.

Hobby: Sports

Future Plans: College



SAMUEL WILLARD
MENDENHALL, JR.

"Sam"

Motto: "Ready, willing, and able."

Activities: Football 2,3,4; Basketball 2,3,4; Monogram Club 3,4; Chorus 1,2,3; Language Club 1, 2,3, Sec.-Treas. 4; Golf Club 1; Dramatics Club 4, Vice-Pres.; Glee Club 1,2,3,4; Science Club 1,2.

Hobby: Stamp collecting, court-
ing, and sports

Future Plans: College



SALLY ETHEL MINCY

"Sally Mae"

Motto: "Non est vivere est valere vita."

Activities: Art Club 1; F.H.A. 1, 2; 4-H 3; F.T.A. 4; Mt. Echo 4; WCC Field Day American Hist. 3.

Hobby: Drawing, reading and traveling

Future Plans: Work, then College



MARJORIE EVELYN
MOODY

"Margie"

Motto: "Let him who deserves it
reap the reward."

Activities: Beta Club 3,4, Corres-
ponding Sec. 4; Language Club
1,3,4; Server at Jr.-Sr. Banquet;
Jr. Marshal; Chorus 1,2; Stu-
dent Council 2, Sec. 3; Major-
ette 1,2,3,4; WCC Field Day
Typing 3; Dramatics Club 2.

Hobby: Playing the organ and
piano

Future Plans: Mars Hill College



CRAWFORD BOWMAN
MOORE

"Os"

Motto: "The older the buck, the
stiffer the horn."

Activities: Football 3,4, Co-Capt.
4; Basketball 2,3,4, Capt. 3;
Baseball 2,3,4, Co-Capt. 4; Mon-
ogram Club 2,3,4, Pres. 4; Beta
Club 3; F.F.A. 1,2,4; Class Vice-
Pres. 4; Server at Jr.-Sr. Ban-
quet.

Hobby: Sports and courting

Future Plans: College



JESSIE LEE MORGAN

"Jess"

Motto: "Live and learn."

Activities: Art Club 1; Backache
Club 2.

Hobby: Eating

Future Plans: Work



SUE MARIE MYERS

"Susie"

Motto: "Making believe."

Activities: Science Club 1; Cheer-
leader 2; Monogram Club 2;
Photography Club 3.

Hobby: Courting and eating

Future Plans: Work



LELA MAE NICHOLS

"Christmas"

Motto: "Always look for the sil-
ver lining."

Activities: F.B.L.A. 1; F.H.A. 2;
Dramatics Club 4.

Hobby: Driving a white Ford and
listening to the radio

Future Plans: Undecided



JERRY RALPH NORTON

"Jer"

Motto: "Every dog has his day
but the nights are mine."

Activities: Beta Club 3,4, Vice-
Pres. 4; Science Club 1,2,3;
Laurel Leaf 2,3,4; Server at Jr.-
Sr. Banquet; Boys State 3; WCC
Field Day Biology 2, Chemis-
try 3; Quill and Scroll 4; Pho-
tography, Mt. Echo 3.

Hobby: Photography and build-
ing model airplanes

Future Plans: College



KENNETH LEE PATTON

"Snake"

Motto: "Prove all things."

Activities: 4-H Club 1; Science Club 2.

Hobby: Hunting and fishing

Future Plans: Furniture Salesman



HESTER GENEVA PEEK

"Hes"

Motto: "Live and learn."

Activities: F.T.A. 1,2; 4-H Club 3; Library Club 4; Class Sec.-Treas. 2.

Hobby: Housekeeping

Future Plans: Housekeeping



NINA CHRISTINE PEEK

"Chris"

Motto: "It can be done."

Activities: Art Club 1; Mt. Echo 4; Chorus 2; Library Asst. 2; F.H.A. 3.

Hobby: Reading

Future Plans: Uncertain

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BETTY SHEPHERD
PHILLIPS

"Bet"

Motto: "Unita Fortior."

Activities: F.H.A. 1; Library Asst. 2,3; Chorus 2.

Hobby: Reading Joe's letters

Future Plans: Housewife



MARY FRANCES ROPER

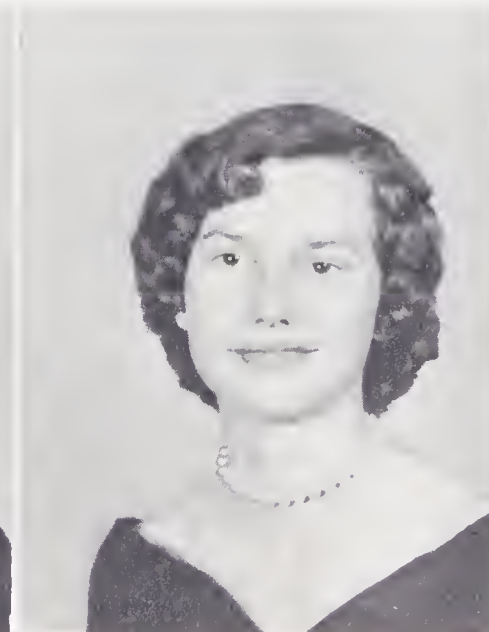
"Shorty"

Motto: "Assage."

Activities: Photography Club 2,3, 4; Home Ec. Club 1, Sec.-Treas. 2.

Hobby: Movies

Future Plans: Undecided



PATRICIA LOUISE
ROTEN

"Pat"

Motto: "Live and learn."

Activities: Science Club 2; F.H.A. 1; Photography Club 3; Back-ache Club 2.

Hobby: Reading, writing, riding, and eating

Future Plans: Work

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ERNIE BLANCHARD SANDERS

"Sandy"

Motto: "Let's do make it nice."
Activities: F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Parliamentary Procedure team 3.
Hobby: Hunting
Future Plans: Unknown

JoANN MARIE SELLERS

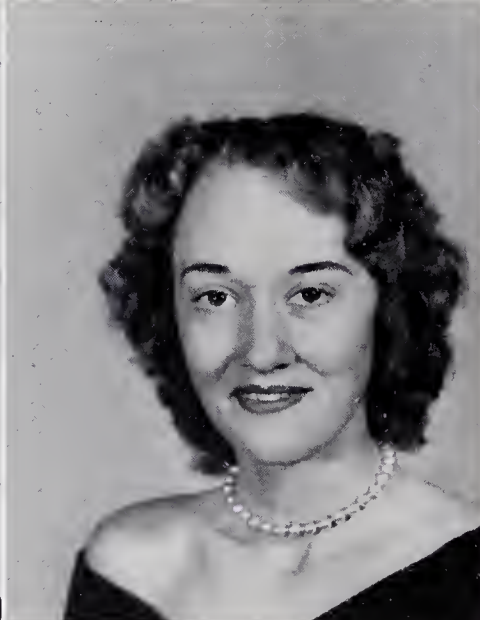
"Jo"

Motto: "Not for ourselves, but for all."
Activities: F.H.A. 1,2; F.B.L.A. 3; Language Club 4.
Hobby: Reading and Sewing
Future Plans: Blanton's Business College

JAMES CLARK SHEFFIELD

"Sam"

Motto: "Think fast and live long."
Activities: F.F.A. 1,2,3,4.
Hobby: Hunting
Future Plans: Army



GROVER SHEFFIELD, JR.

Motto: "Live for tonight."
Activities: F.F.A. 1,2,3,4.
Hobby: Fishing and hunting
Future Plans: Work in Michigan

BETTY MARIE SHOPE

"Bet"

Motto: "Be yourself at all times."
Activities: Photography Club 1.
Hobby: Courting, eating and sleeping
Future Plans: Undecided

BETTY LOU SMITH

"Bet"

Motto: "Live fast and love hard."
Activities: Backache Club 1; Photography Club 2; Home Ec. Club 3.
Hobby: Dating
Future Plans: Beautician



**NORMAN BARRETT
SMITH**

"Smittie"

Motto: "Don't look too long before you leap or you may chicken out."

Activities: Mt. Echo 2,3,4, Editor-in-Chief 3,4; Student Council 3,4; WCC Field Day Gen. Science 2, Current Events 3; Class Vice-Pres. 1; FHS Handbook Committee 3,4, Chairman; Jr. Marshal; Server at Jr.-Sr. Banquet; Beta Club 3,4; Language Club 3,4; Photography Club 2,3,4; Dramatics Club 4; Wildlife Club 2; Quill and Scroll 4; Golf Club 1.

Hobby: Stamp collecting and European History

Future Plans: Major in Journalism at U.N.C.



RUTH HELEN SNYDER

"Rufus"

Motto: "Not merely to exist but to amount to something in life."

Activities: Beta Club 3,4; Language Club 1,2,3,4; F.H.A. 2, Vice-Pres.; Laurel Leaf 3,4; 4-H Club 1; Server at Jr.-Sr. Banquet; Jr. Marshal; WCC Field Day Arts and Crafts 1; Dramatics Club 4.

Hobby: Driving and talking

Future Plans: College



BETTY SUE SOLESBEE

"Susan"

Motto: "So labor that ye may obtain."

Activities: F.B.L.A. 1,3; F.H.A. 2; Library Club 4; Language Club 4.

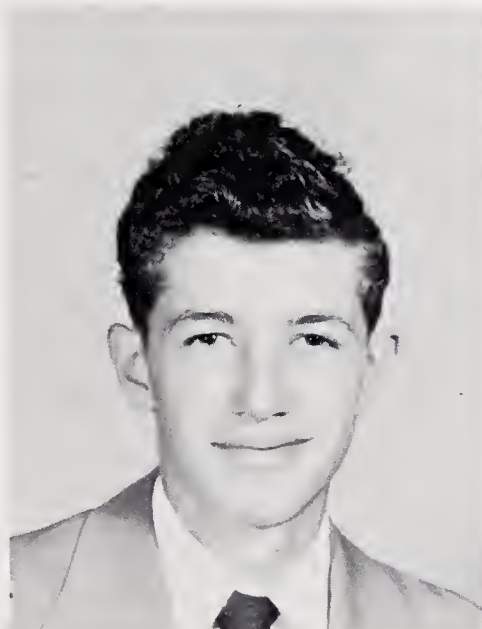
Hobby: Reading and driving

Future Plans: Wake Forest or Blanton's Business College

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MAC DAVIS STANFIELD

"Maxy"

Motto: "Speak when spoken to."

Activities: Science Club 1; Wildlife Club 2; Math Club 3.

Hobby: Hunting, fishing and courting

Future Plans: Undecided



**BEVERLY JEAN
STOCKTON**

"Leeda"

Motto: "Non est vivere est valere vita."

Activities: Beta Club 3,4; Band 1,2; Language Club 1,2,3,4; Laurel Leaf 4; Server at Jr.-Sr. Banquet; Jr. Marshal; Student Council 2; Majorette 4; Dramatics Club 2; WCC Field Day Fr. 3; Chorus 2.

Hobby: Going to football games and talking on the telephone

Future Plans: College



JESSIE FAYE SWEATMAN

"Jessrow"

Motto: "One foot is no good forward unless you bring the other."

Activities: F.B.L.A. 1; F.H.A. 2; Dramatics Club 4.

Hobby: Writing David, listening to the radio and traveling

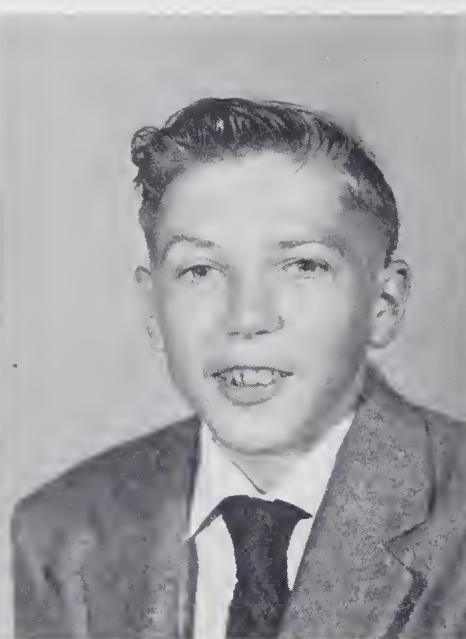
Future Plans: Undecided



BILLY JULE TALLENT

"Lum"

Motto: "Willing and able."
Activities: Football 1; Basketball 1; Baseball 2; Science Club 1, 2, 3; Wildlife Club 4.
Hobby: Courting, hunting, and playing golf
Future Plans: Undecided



THURMAN JACKSON TALLENT

"Worm"

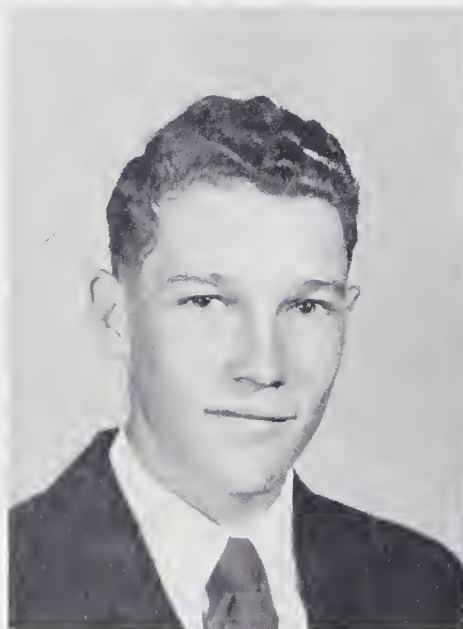
Motto: "Little but loud, short but proud."
Activities: Dramatics Club 1; Math Club 2; Wildlife Club 3.
Future Plans: Undecided



DEWEY LEE TAYLOR

"Stoney"

Motto: "If you don't succeed the first time, try, try again."
Activities: Football 1, 2; Baseball 3, 4; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, 4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Golf Club 1.
Hobby: Playing golf
Future Plans: Work



JOE TAYLOR

Motto: "Live for tonight."
Activities: F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4.
Hobby: Fishing
Future Plans: Army



BOBBY WILSON TEAGUE

"Bob"

Motto: "Never hit a cripple or argue with a fool."
Activities: Football 3; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4; Class Pres. 1, 3; Student Council 3, Vice-Pres. 4, Pres.; Parliamentary Procedure Team 2, Sec. 3, Pres.; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, Sec. 4.
Hobby: Hot roding cars and hunting
Future Plans: N. C. State College or Gaston Technical Institute



DORIS MAE TEAGUE

"Floss"

Motto: "A smile takes only a moment but lasts a lifetime."
Activities: Beta Club 3, 4, Sec. Treas.; Chorus 1; Language Club 3; F.H.A. 2; FHS Handbook Committee 3; Laurel Leaf 3, 4; Server at Jr.-Sr. Banquet; Jr. Marshal; Dramatics Club 1.
Hobby: Eating, then dieting, collecting Indian relics, piano and reading
Future Plans: College



SHIRLEY ANN THOMAS

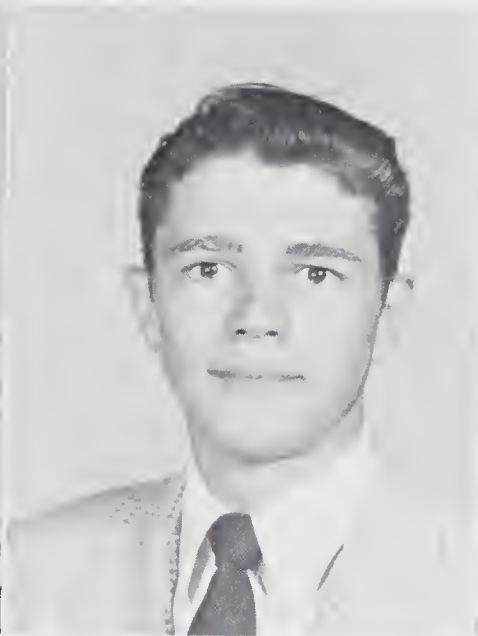
"Sheril-Blondie"

Motto: "Eat, drink, and be merry for tomorrow may be a school day."

Activities: F.H.A. 1,2; Library Asst. 3,4.

Hobby: Reading and having a good time

Future Plans: Business College



JOE WARREN TIPPETT

"Joseph"

Motto: "Live slow, love hard, die old."

Activities: F.F.A. 1,2,3,4, Treas.

Hobby: Hot roding, hunting, and fishing

Future Plans: Berea or Gaston Technical Institute



JOHN DANIEL TIPPETT

"Tip"

Motto: "Never worry about your station in life, someone will tell you where to get off."

Activities: Basketball 1,2,3,4; Monogram Club 2,3,4; F.F.A. 1,2, Treas., 3, Sec. 4; Class Pres. 2; Student Council 2; Parliamentary Procedure team 3.

Hobby: Fishing and hunting

Future Plans: Undecided

CLASS OF 1956



AUDREY PAULETTE WARD

"Red"

Motto: "Live and learn."

Activities: Band 3,4; Photography Club 2,3,4; F.H.A. 1.

Hobby: Carrying my baritone around

Future Plans: Attend Music College



EMMA LOUSINDA WATSON

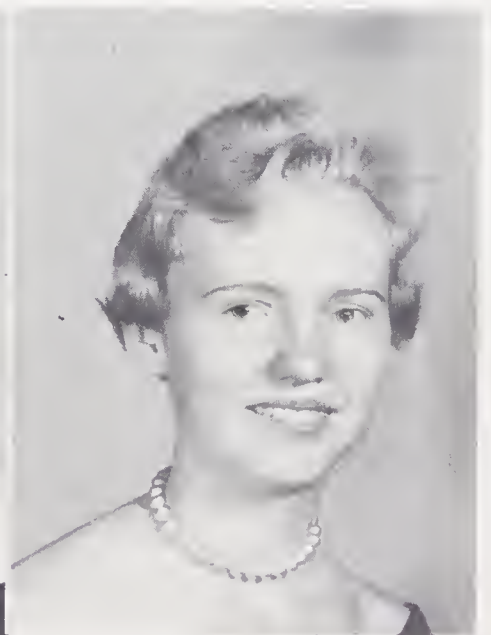
"Emmie"

Motto: "Be prepared."

Activities: Beta Club 3,4; F.H.A. 1,2; F.T.A. 3, Historian 4; 4-H Club 3,4; Server at Jr.-Sr. Banquet; Jr. Marshal; Chorus 2; WCC Field Day Latin 2.

Hobby: Making TasTee Freez and reading

Future Plans: College



MARTHA ELLEN WOMACK

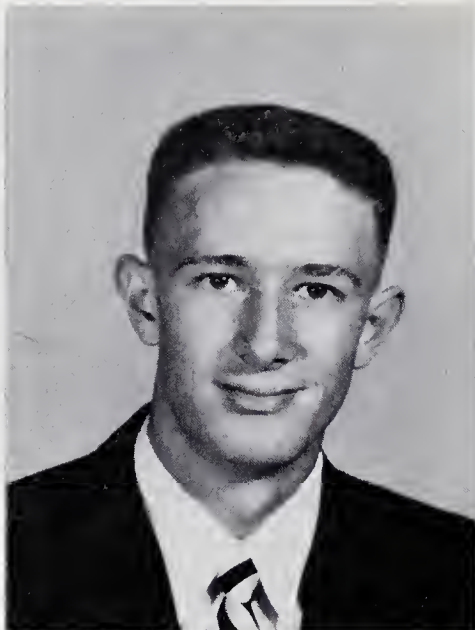
"Cotton"

Motto: "Everything happens for the best."

Activities: F.H.A. 1; Dramatics Club 2; Language Club 3,4; Chorus 2.

Hobby: Playing the piano

Future Plans: Western Carolina College



JOHNNY LEONARD
WOOTEN

"Oot"

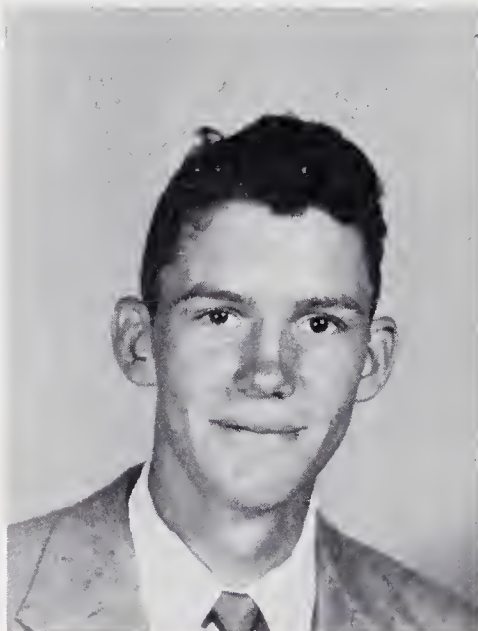
Motto: "Enjoy your fun in the day time, for nobody can see at night, but night hawks."
Activities: Football 3,4; Baseball 3,4; Wildlife Club 2,3; Monogram Club 4; Golf Club 1.
Hobby: Courting, fishing, hunting, and sleeping
Future Plans: Working where money and pretty women flow



GLADYS SUE YOUNCE

"Sis"

Motto: "Every cloud has a silver lining."
Activities: Mt. Echo 4; F.H.A. 1; Science Club 2; Photography Club 3; Cheerleader 4; Dramatics Club 4.
Hobby: Courting, eating and watching football games
Future Plans: College



WARDIE LOVALLE
YOUNG

"Wort Mouskie"

Motto: "I feel like traveling on."
Activities: Football 2,3,4; Baseball 3,4; Monogram Club 4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4.
Hobby: Thinking of pretty girls
Future Plans: Uncle Sam



JANE ELIZABETH
ZICKGRAF

"Zic"

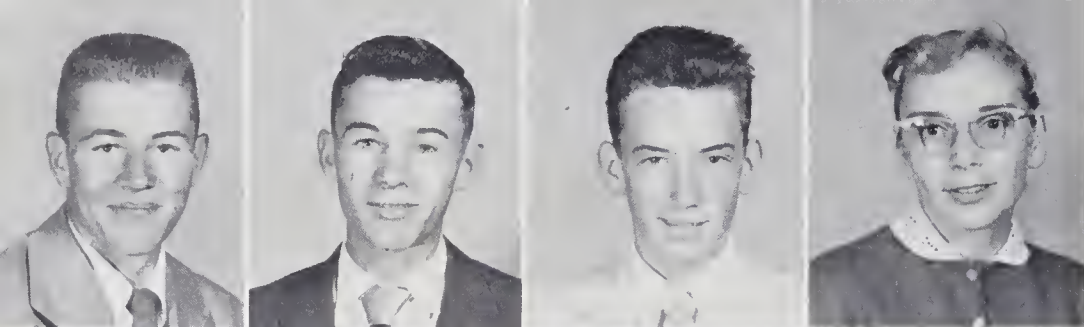
Motto: "A merry heart doeth good like medicine."
Activities: Monogram Club 4; Basketball 1; Glee Club 2; Language Club 3,4; Photography Club 3,4; Cheerleader 4; Chorus 1; Dramatics Club 4.
Hobby: Horseback riding, dancing, drawing, singing, eating and dieting
Future Plans: College



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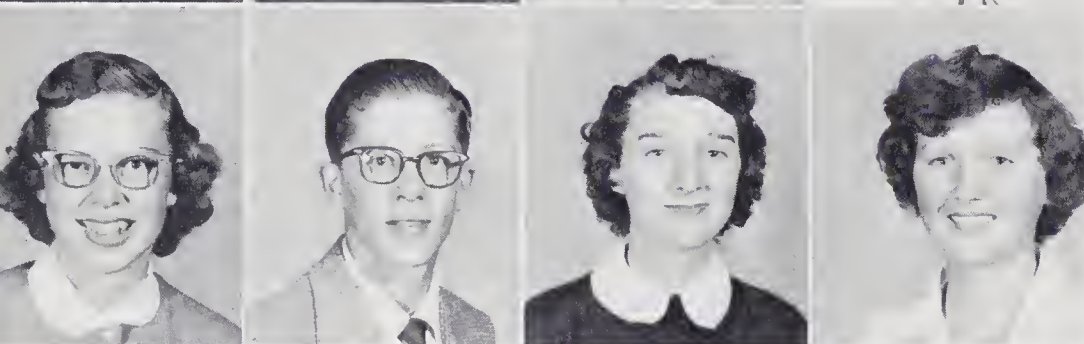
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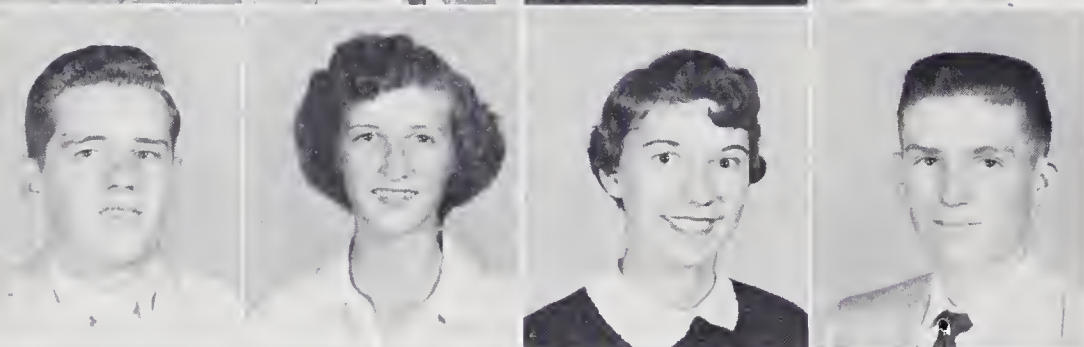
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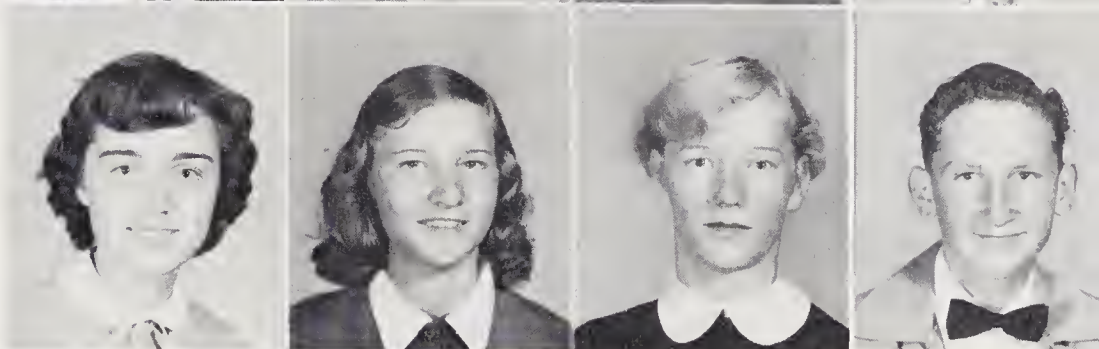
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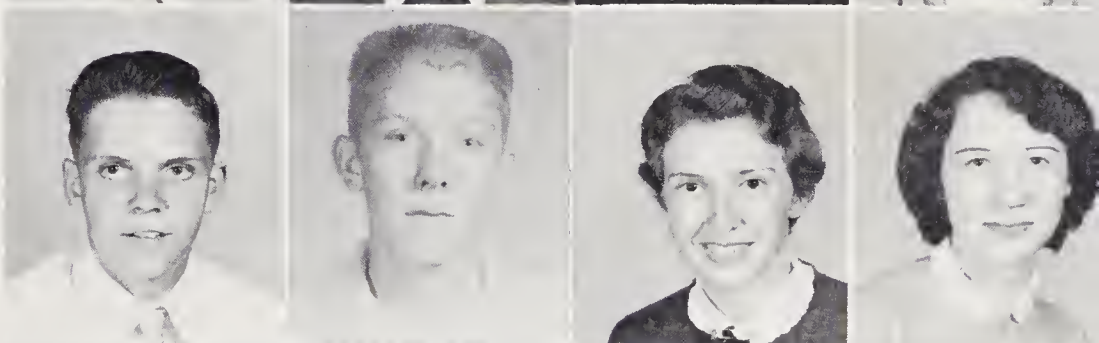
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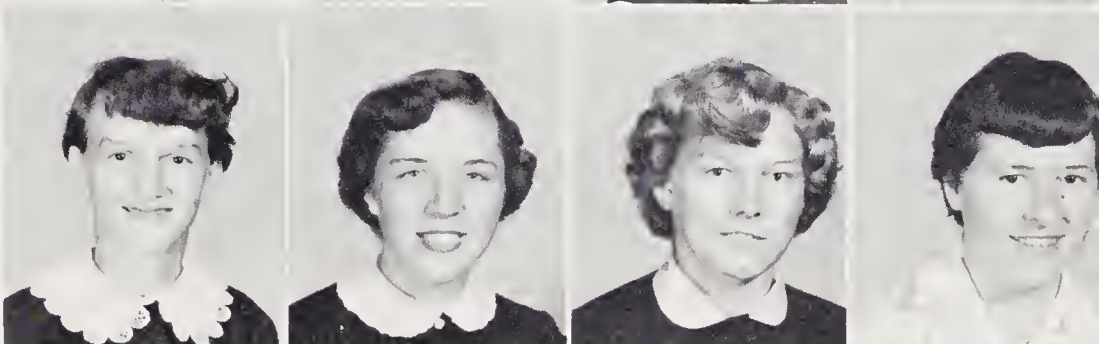
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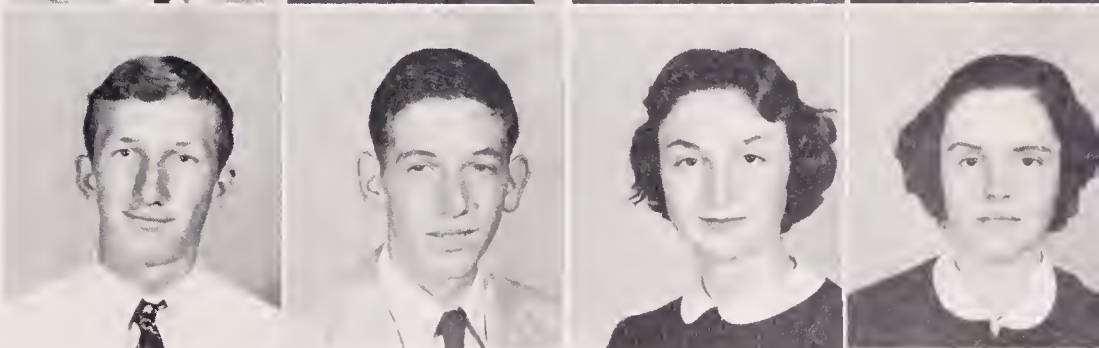
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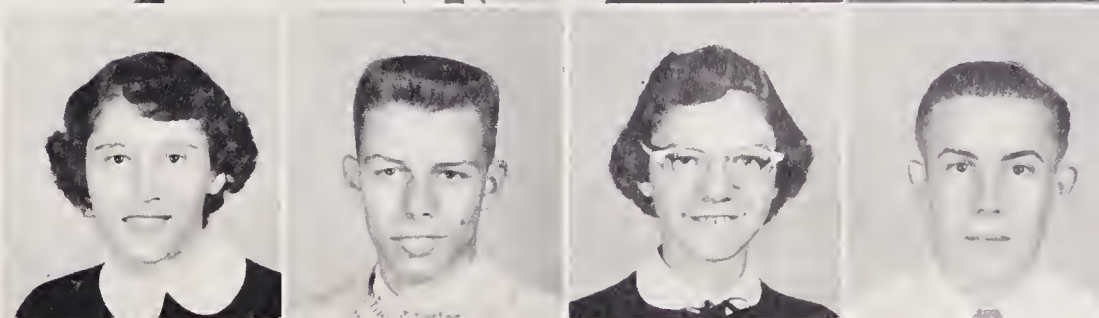
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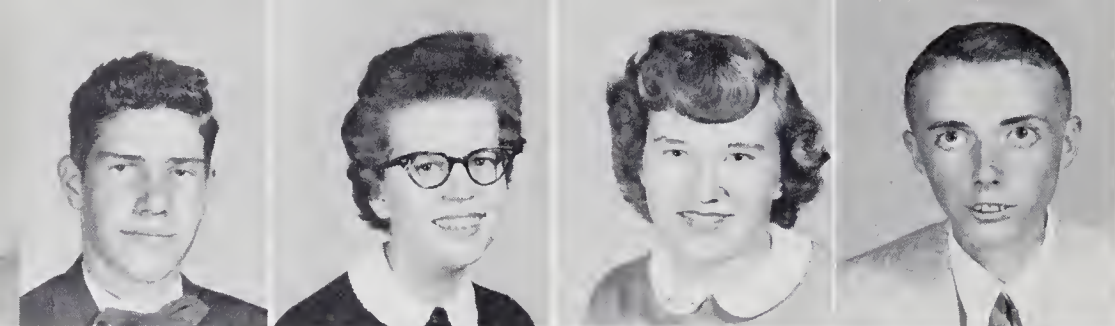
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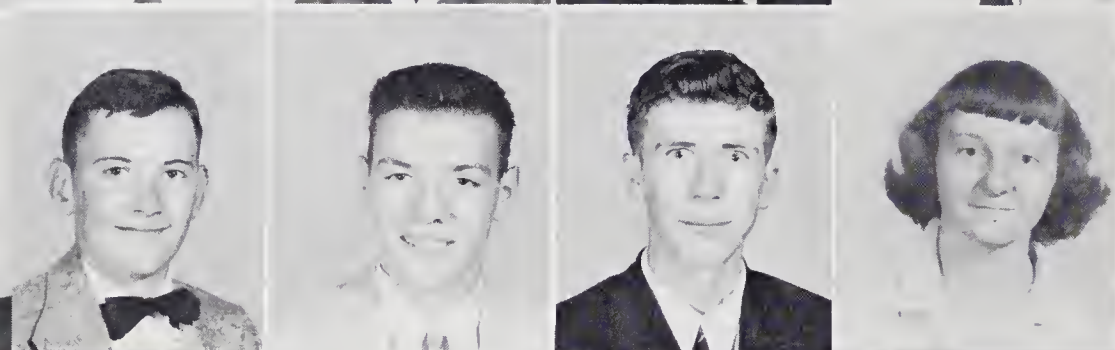
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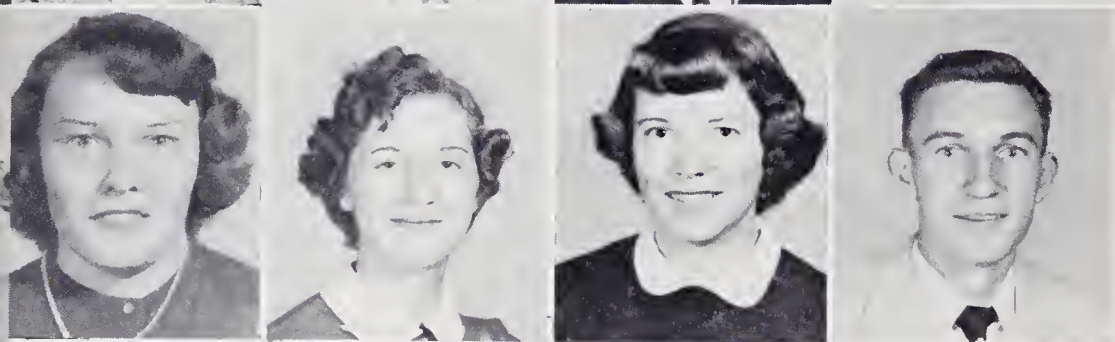
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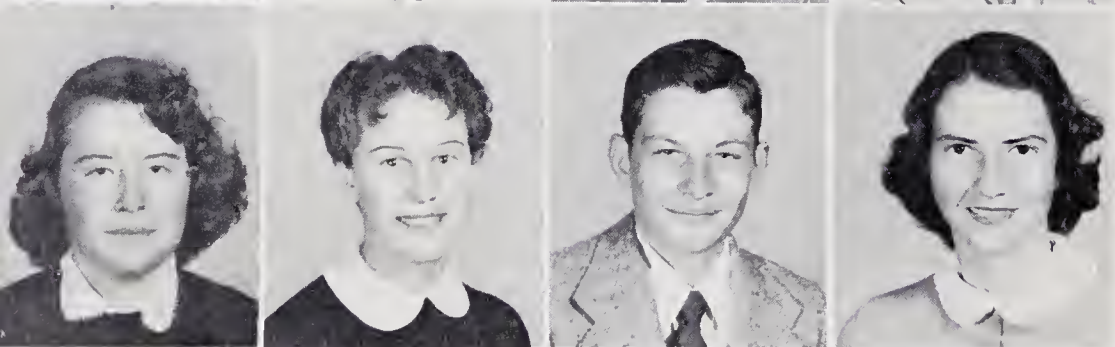
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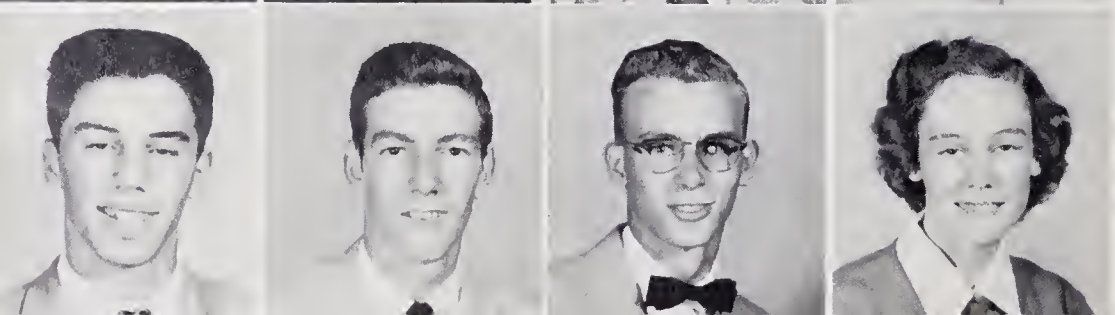
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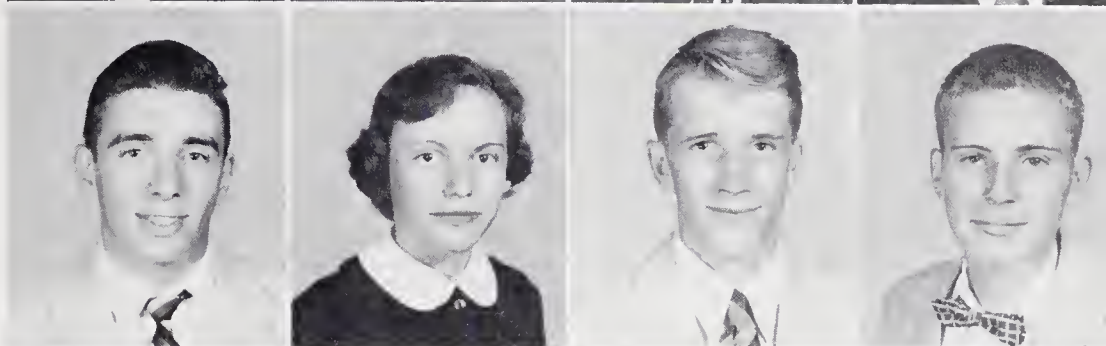
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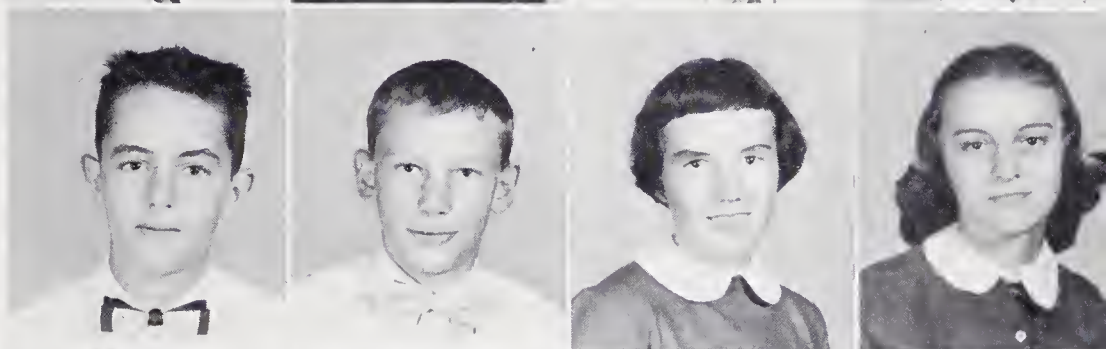
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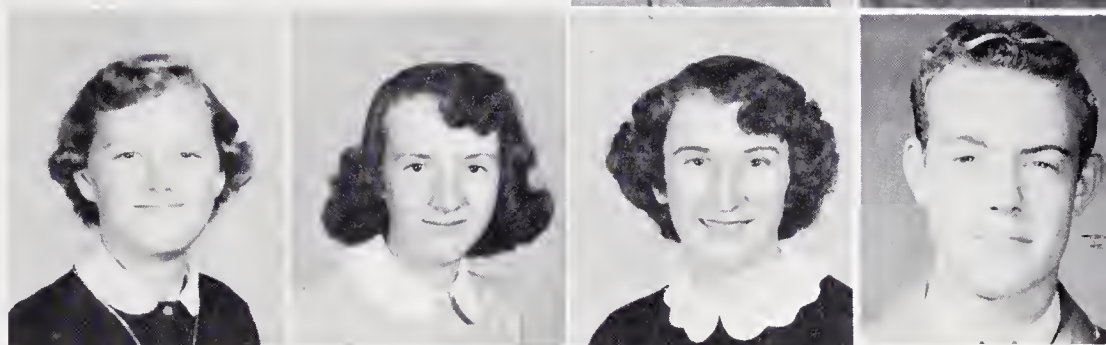
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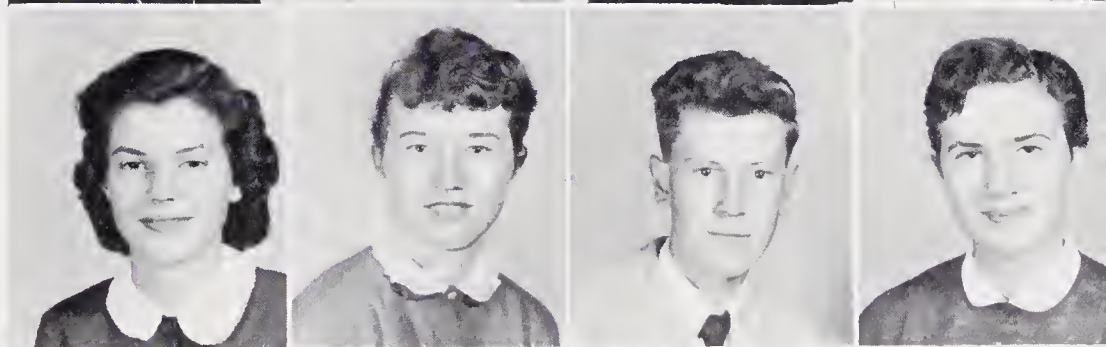
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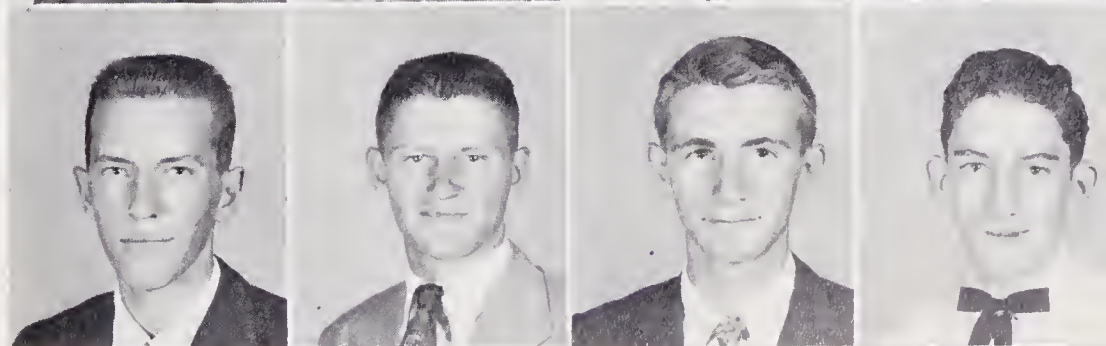
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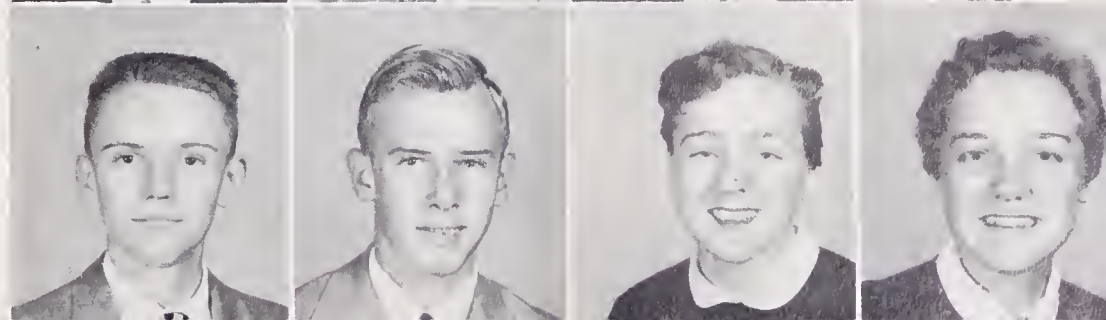
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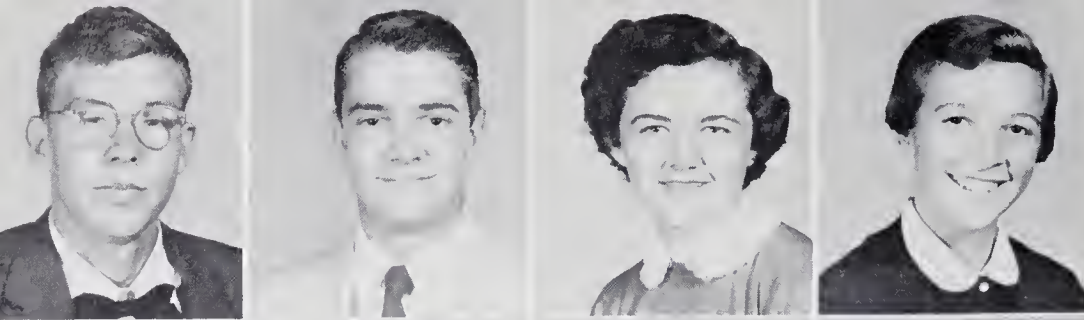
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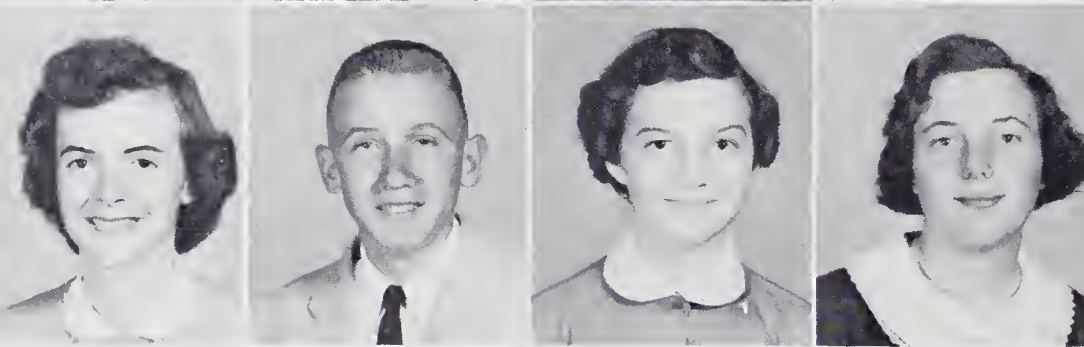
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Homecoming Floats



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"Language Club Displays Costumes"

Sophomores

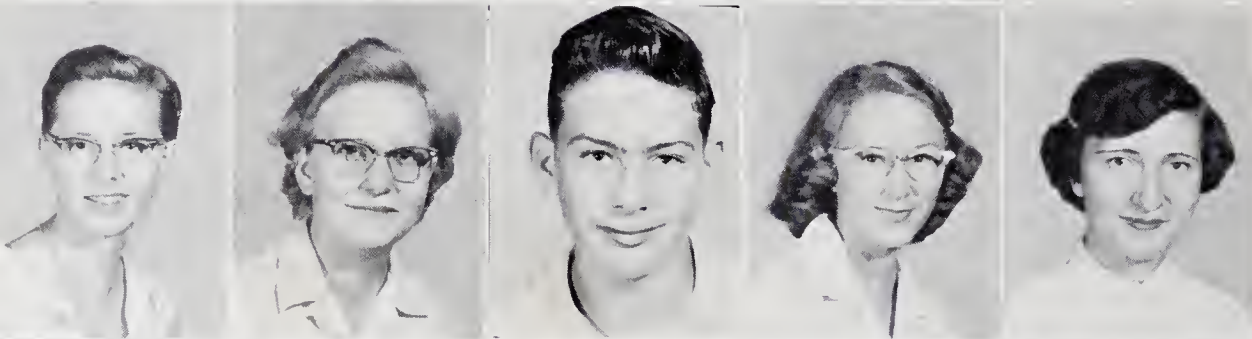


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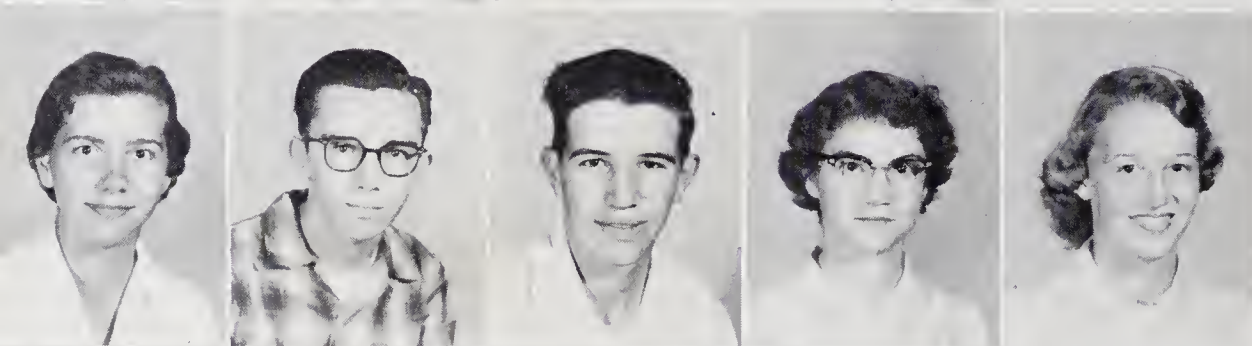
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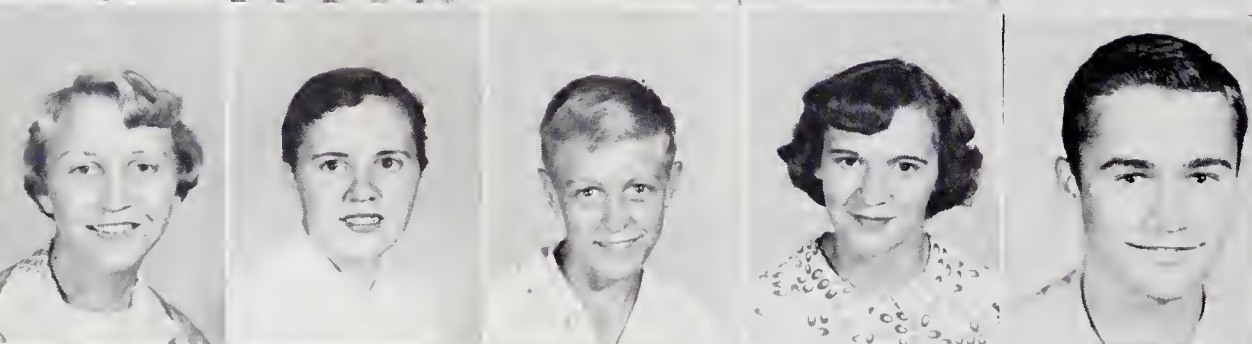
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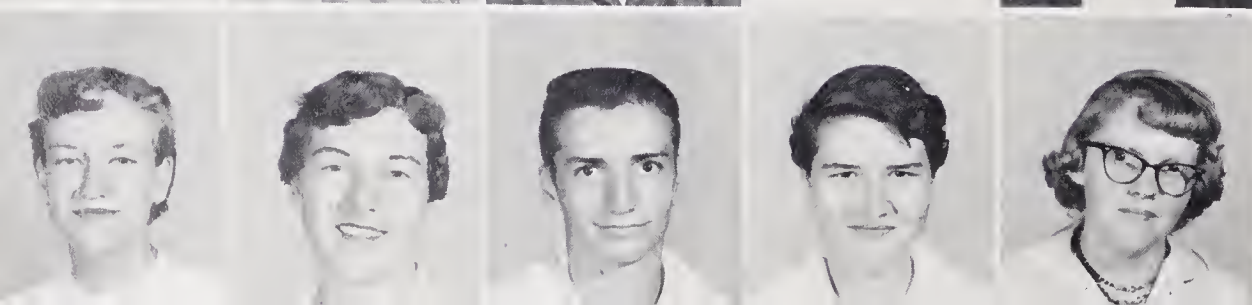
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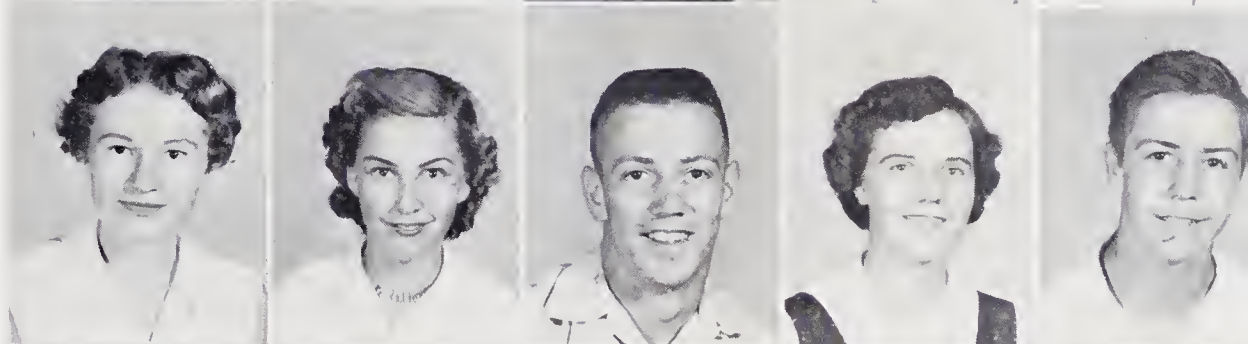
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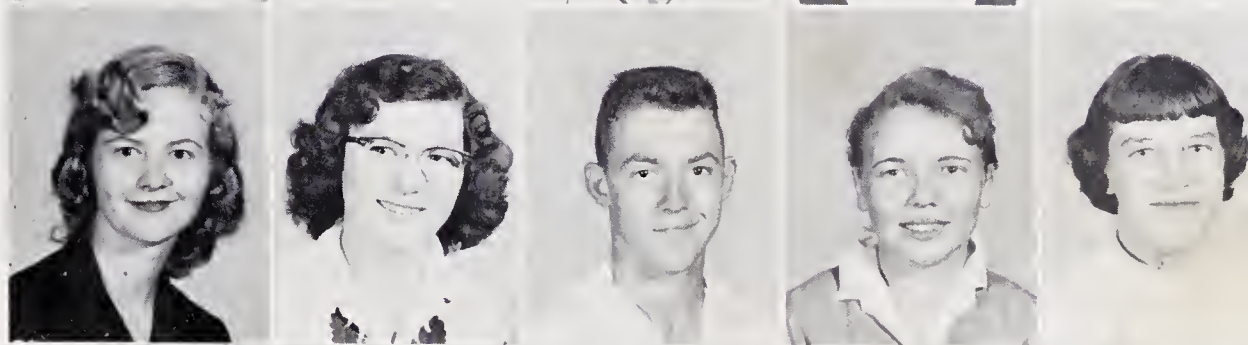
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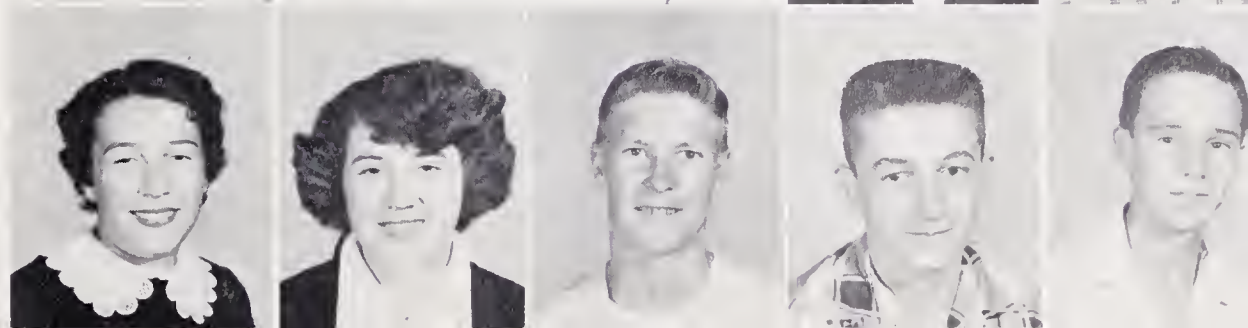
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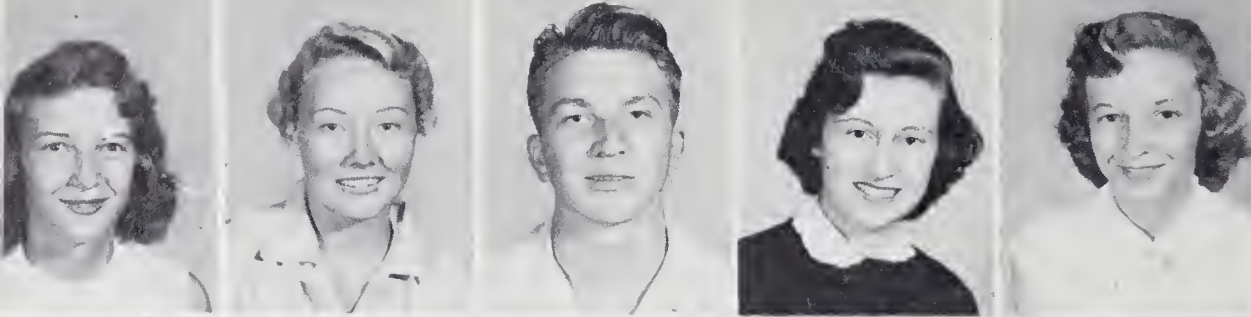


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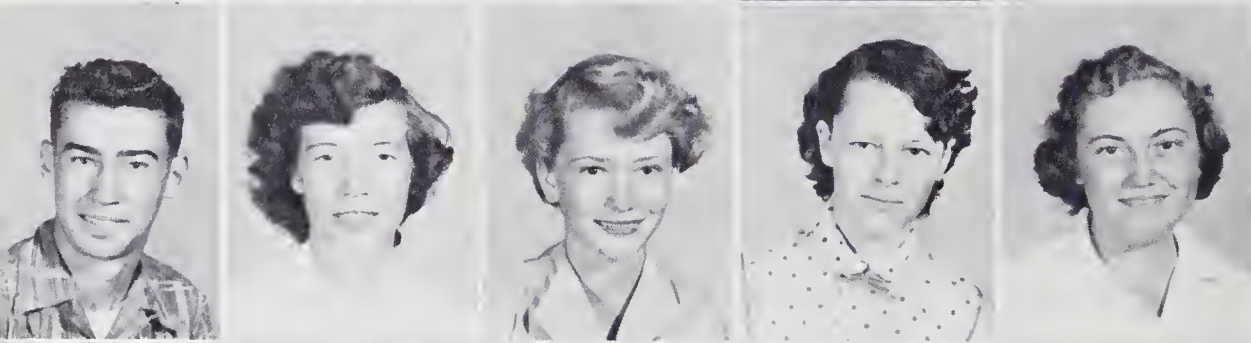


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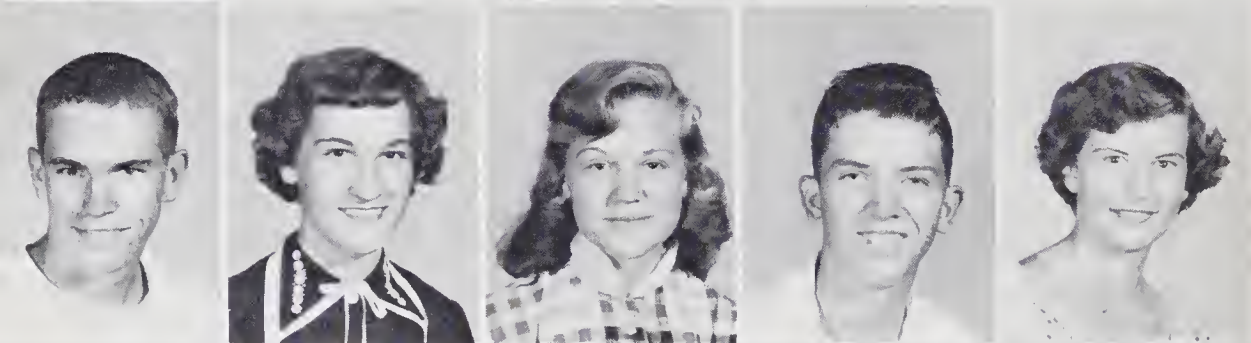




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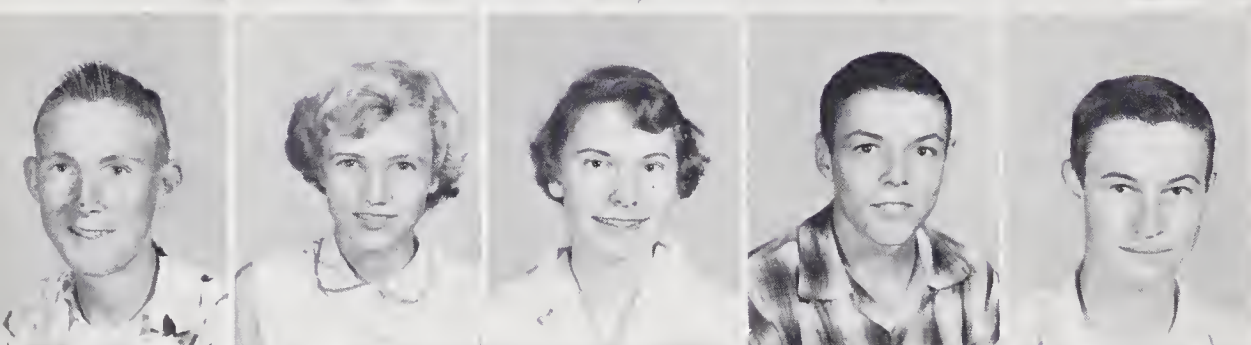
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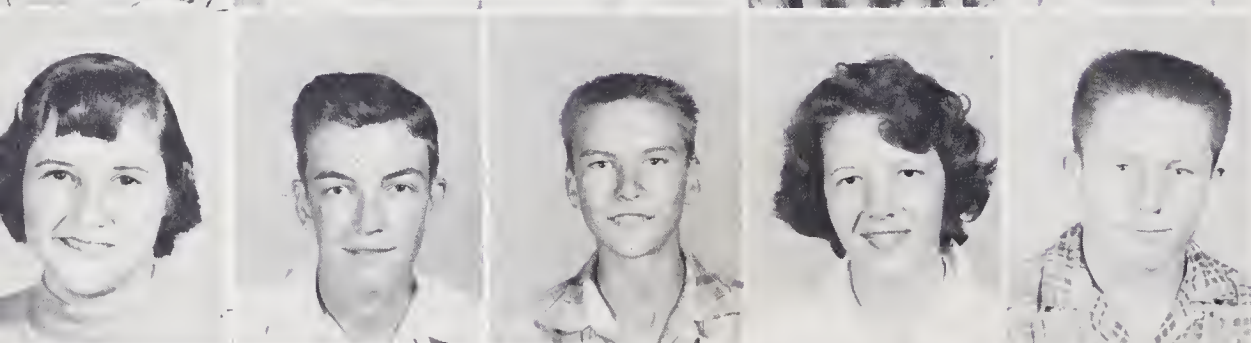
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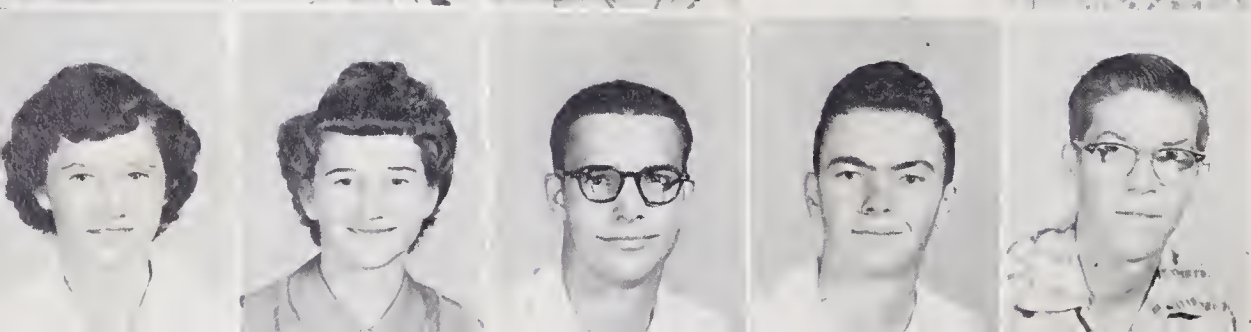
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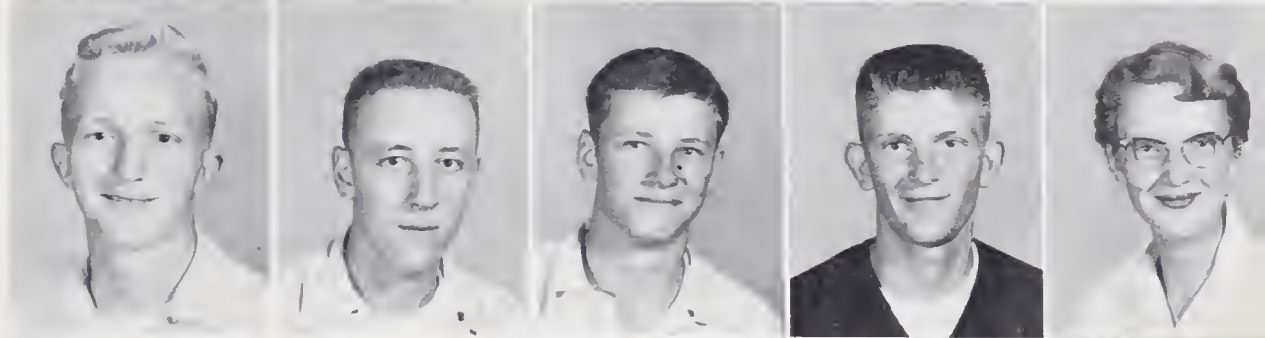


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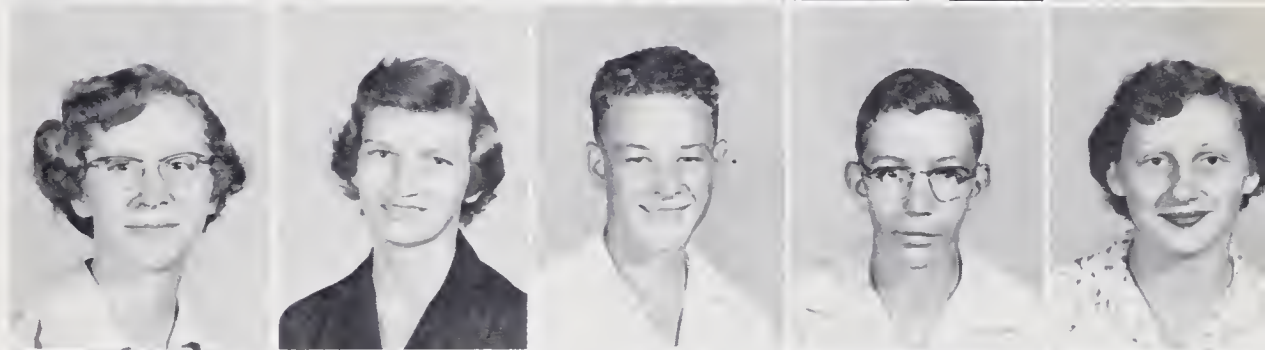
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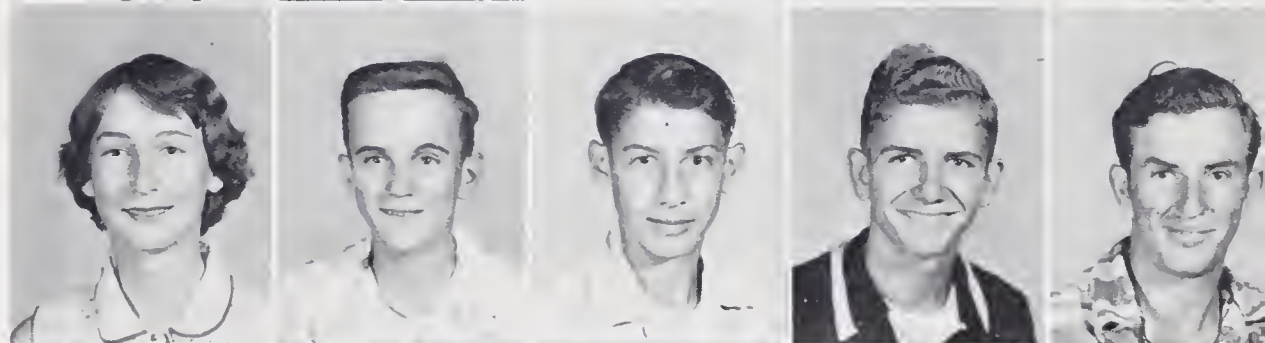
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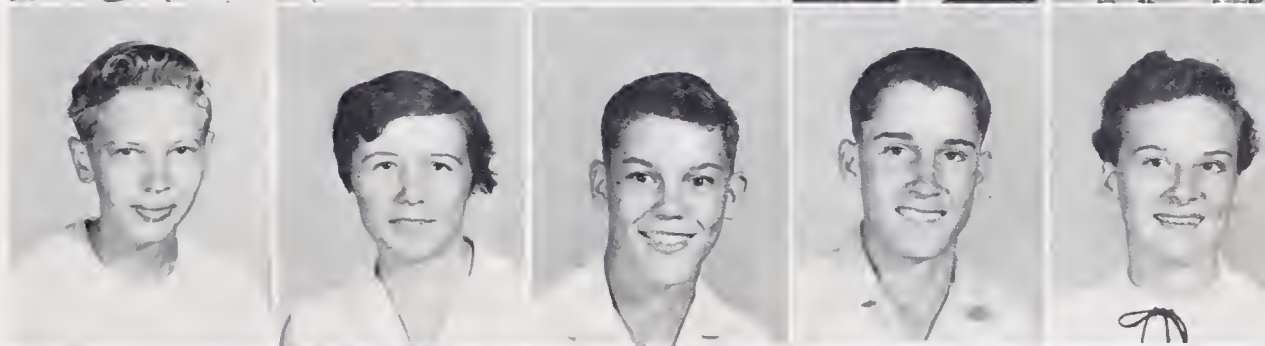
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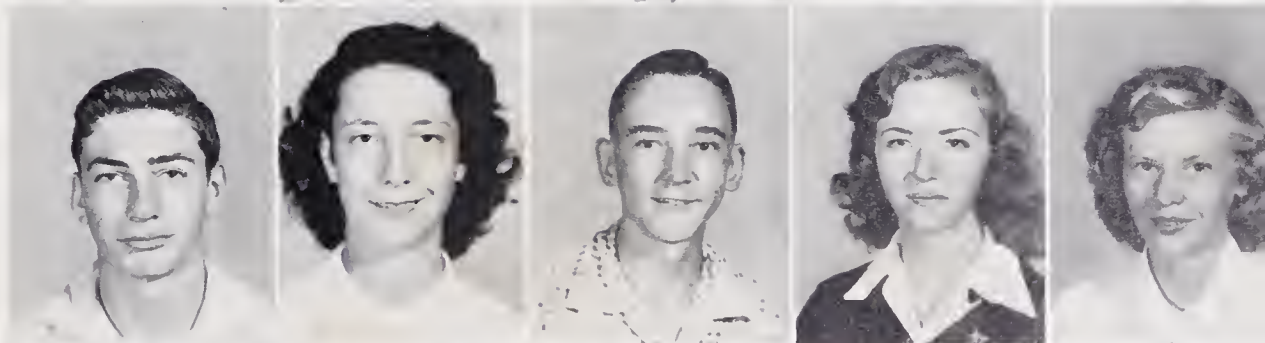
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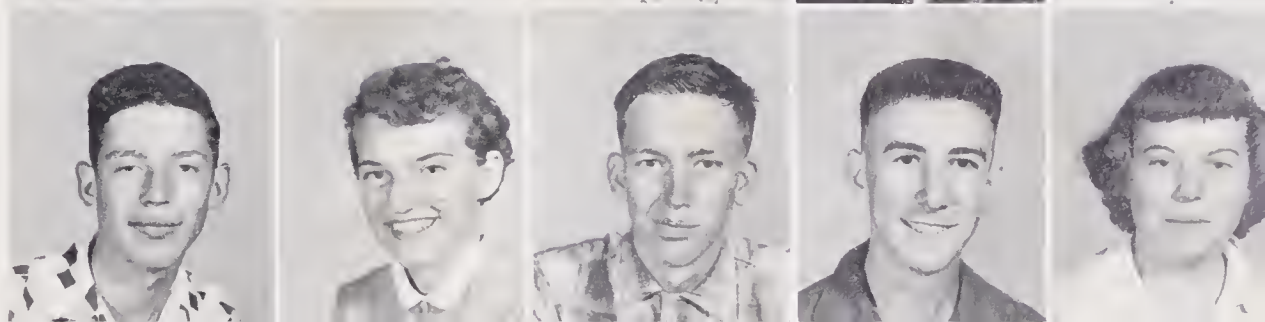
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"Getting Ready To Be Beautiful"



"Oh, Boy!! Barbecue!!"

Behind the Scenes



"What? Studying?"



"Mob Violence"



"What It Was Was Football"



"Are They Interested In the Game or—??"

Freshmen



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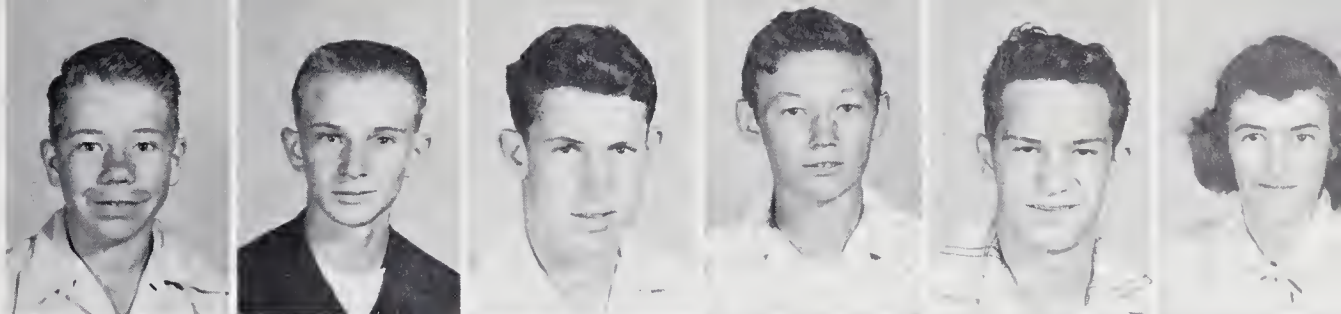
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Margie Cabe

Minnie Sue Cabe
Shirley Cabe
Jimmy Campbell
Barbara Jean Carpenter
Harold Carpenter
Susie Carpenter

Bill Carpenter
Bonnell Carver
Juanita Cassada
Robert Clampitt
Gary Clark
Jacqueline Clark

James Clark
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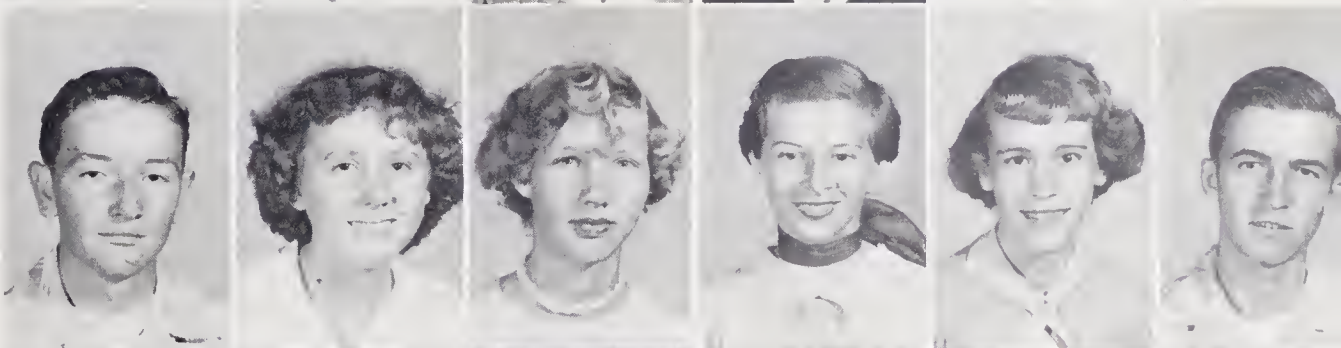
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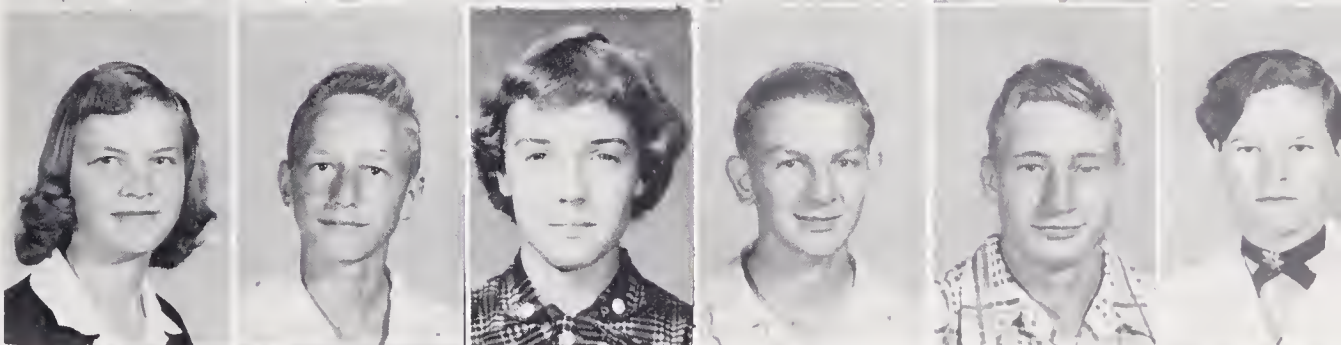
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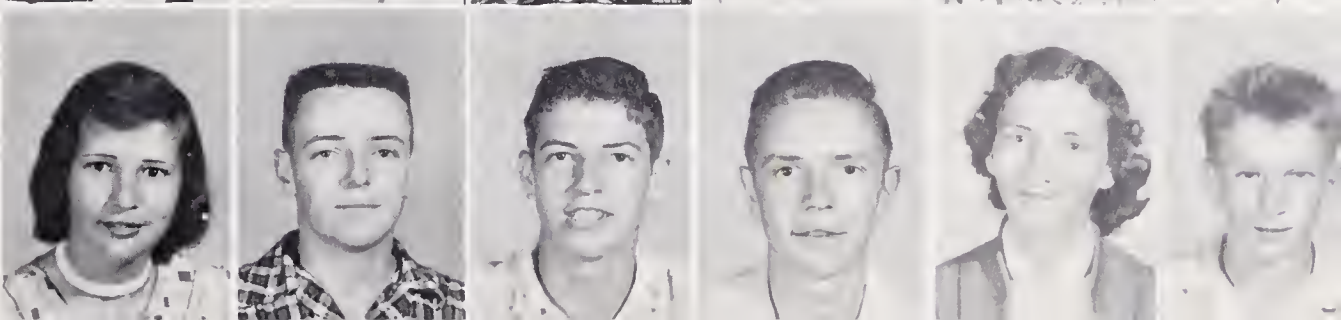
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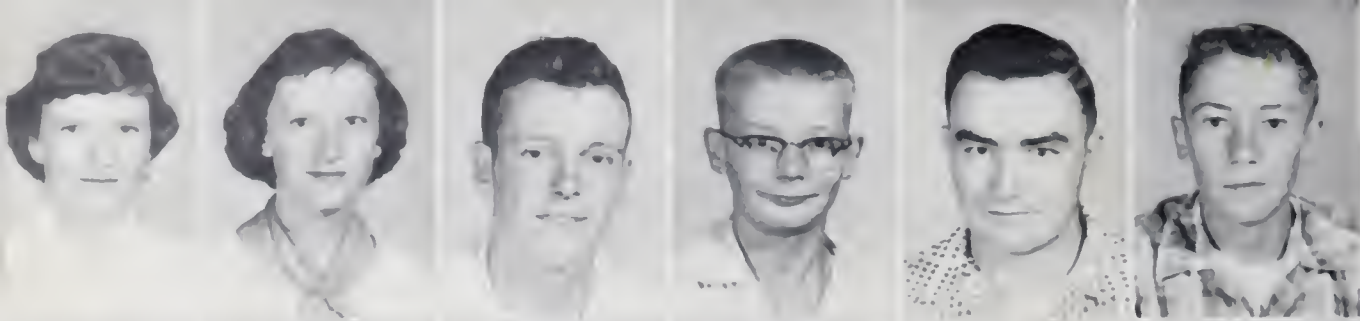


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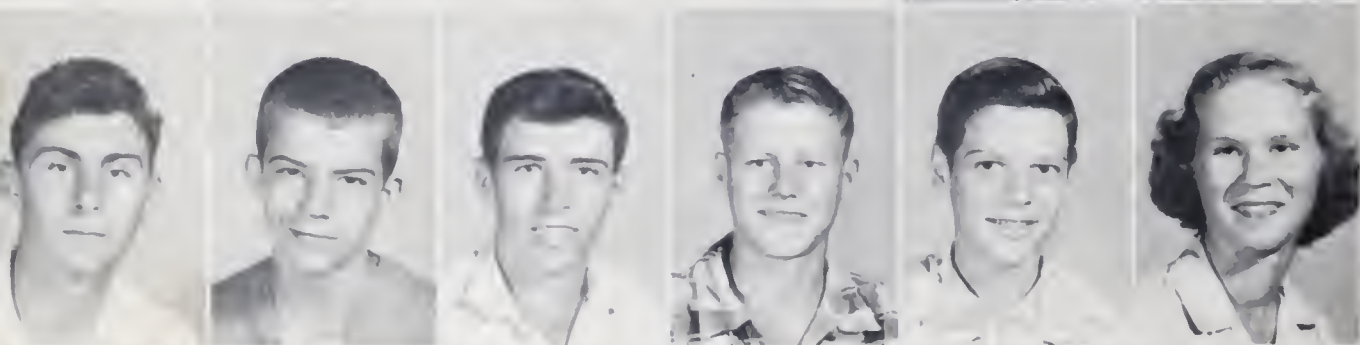
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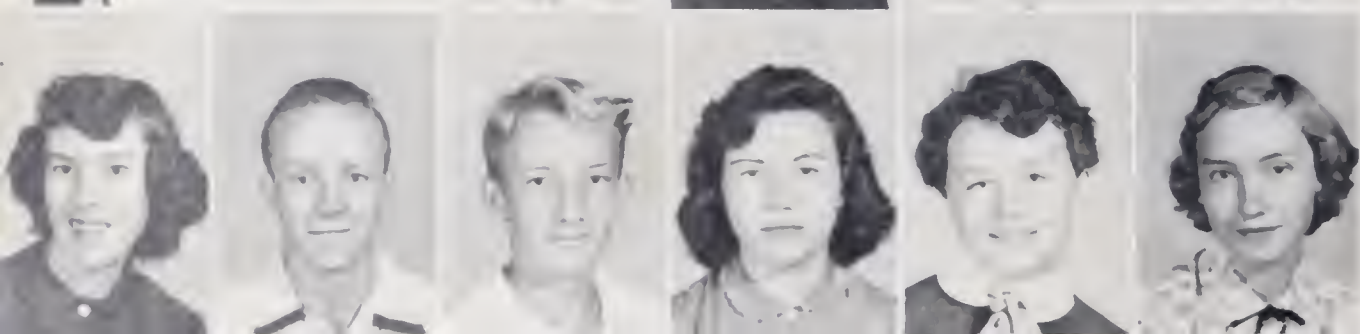
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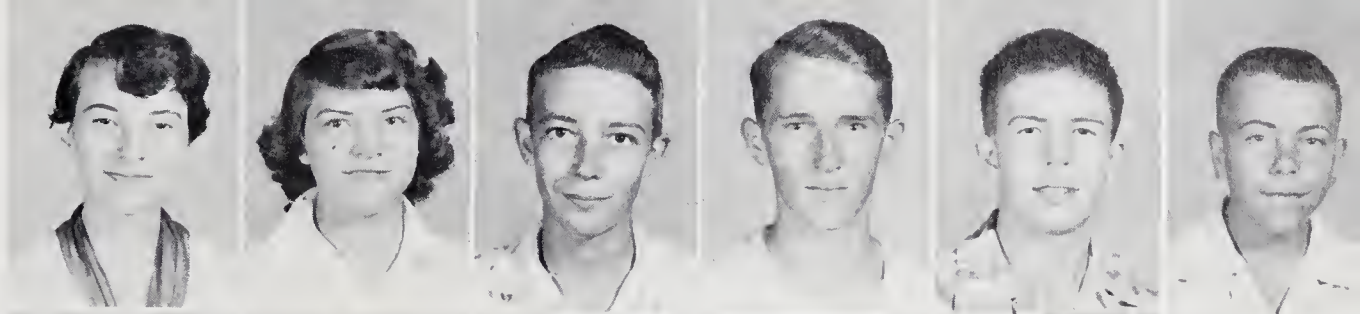


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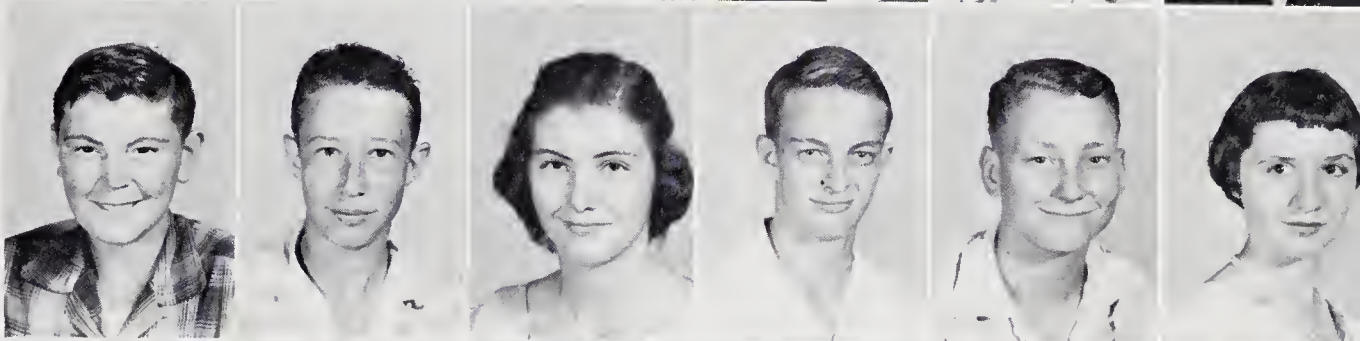
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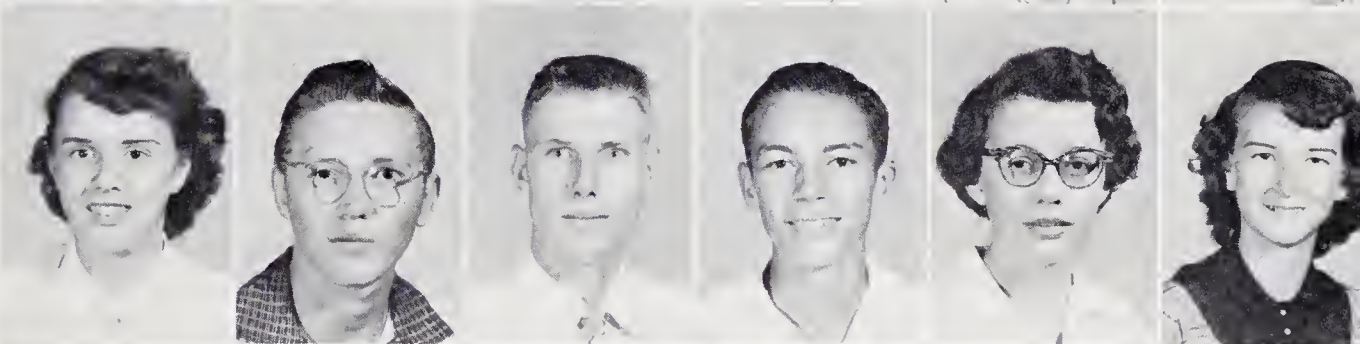
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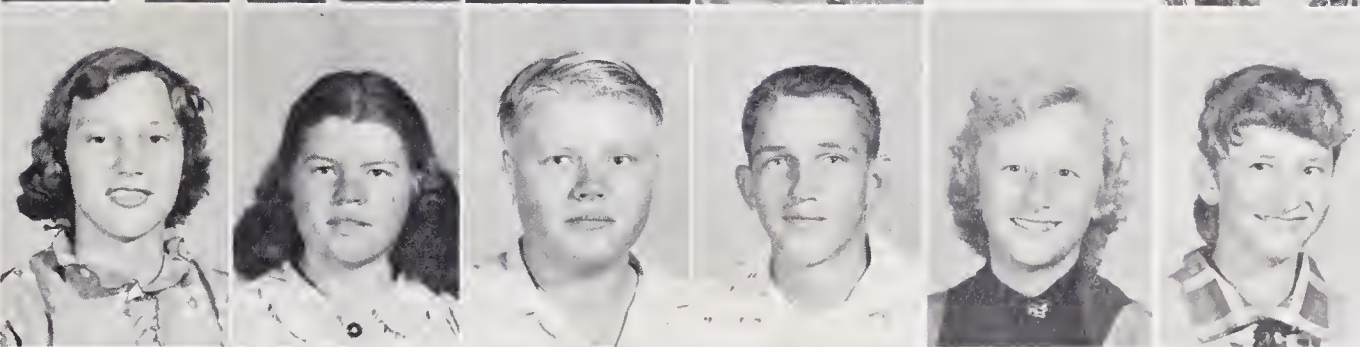
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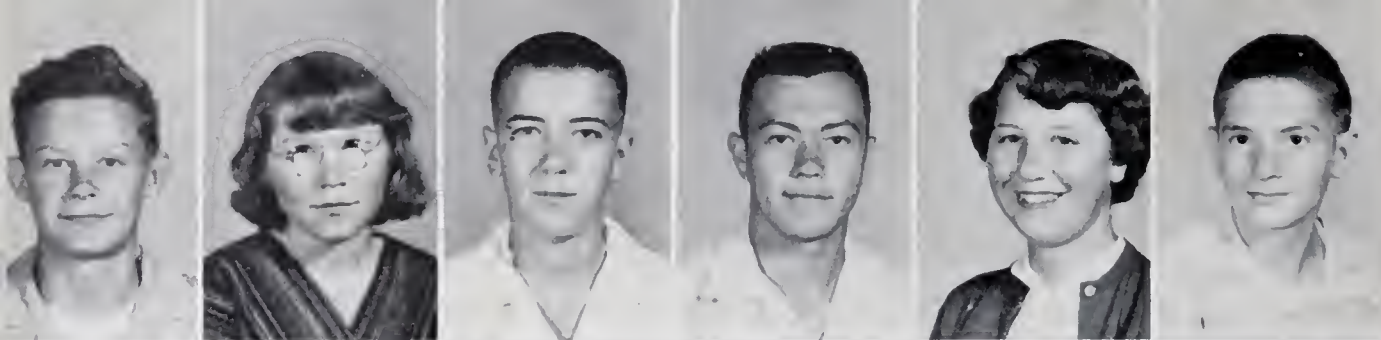


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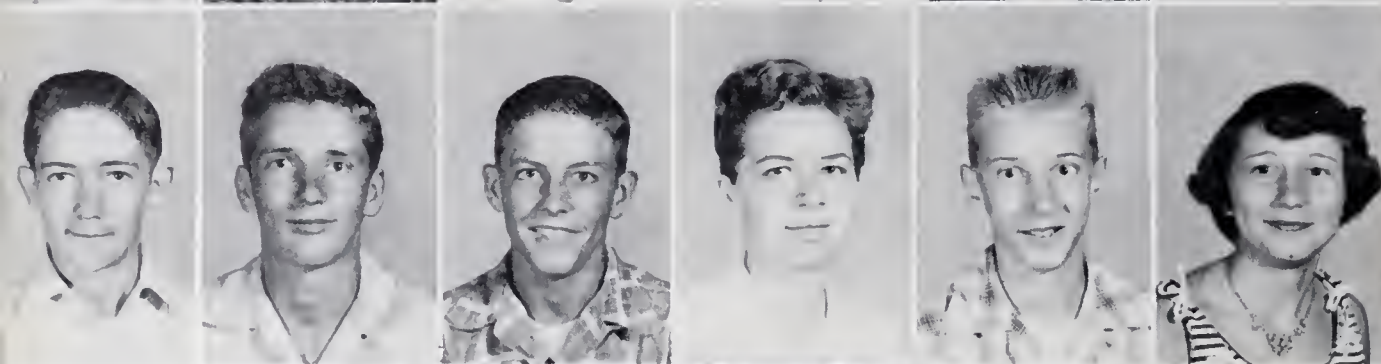


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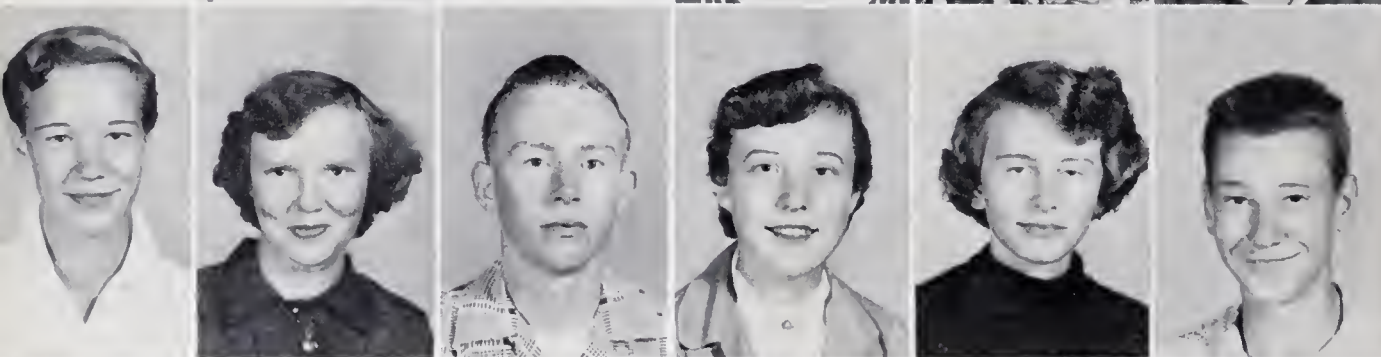
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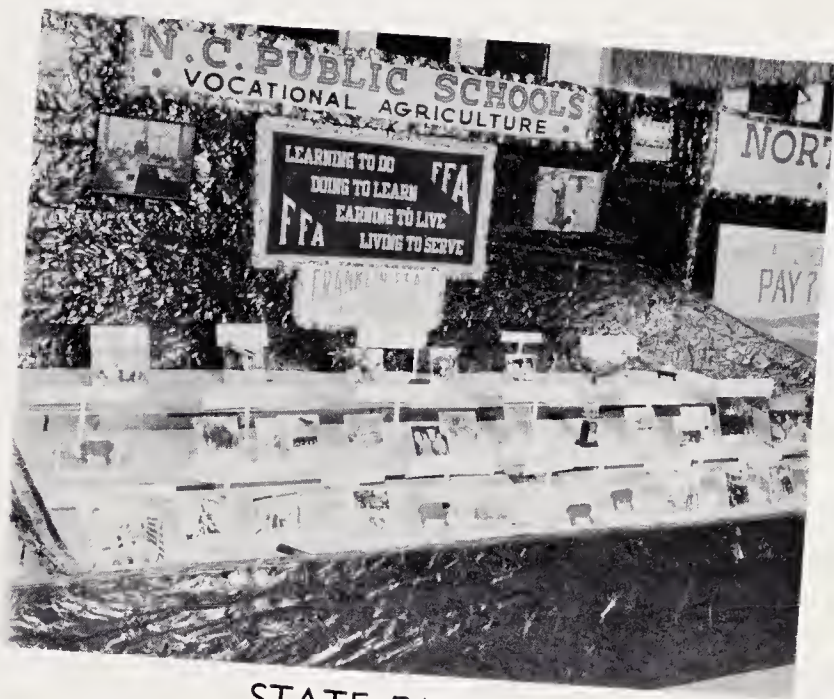




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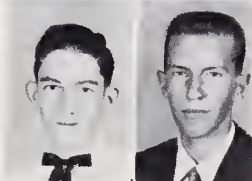
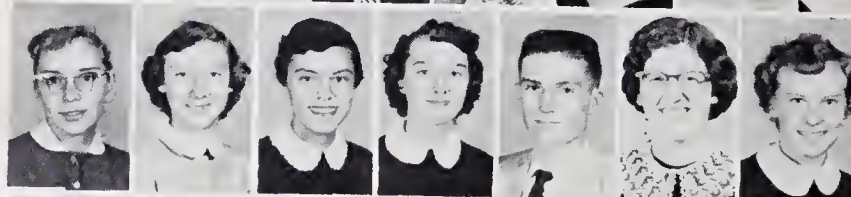
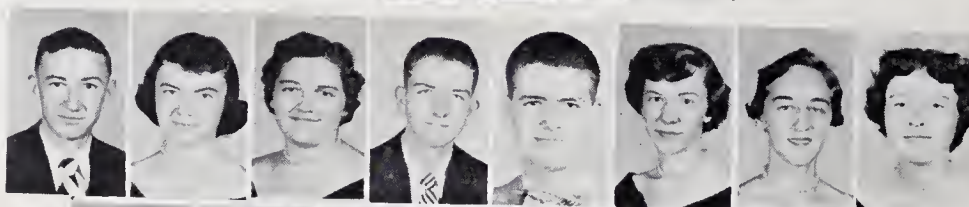
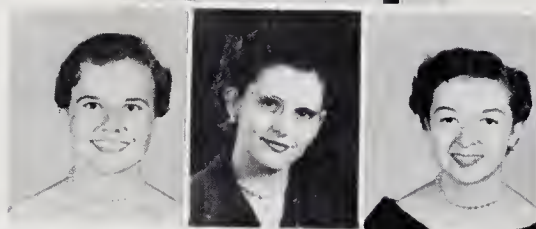
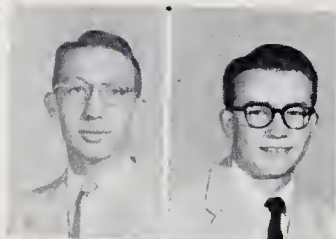
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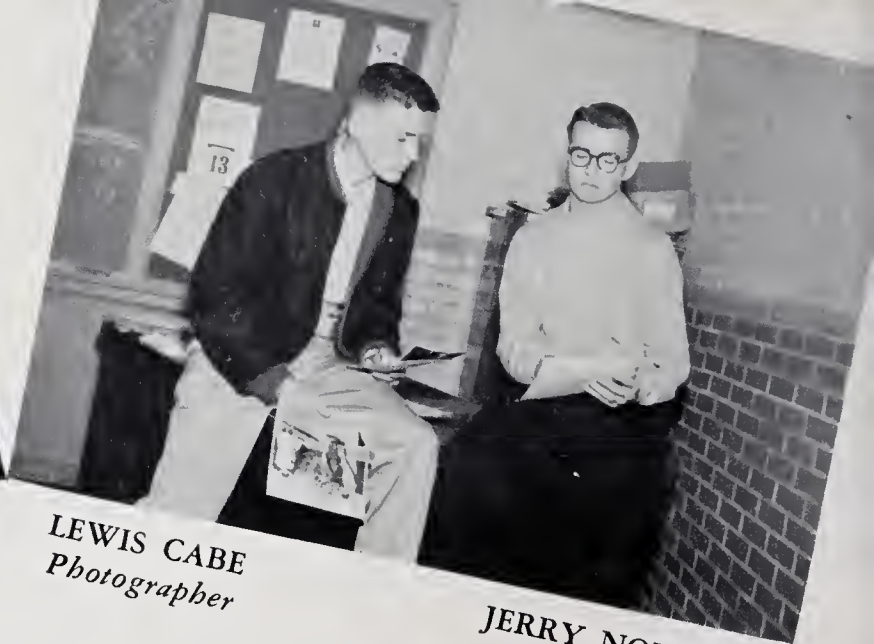
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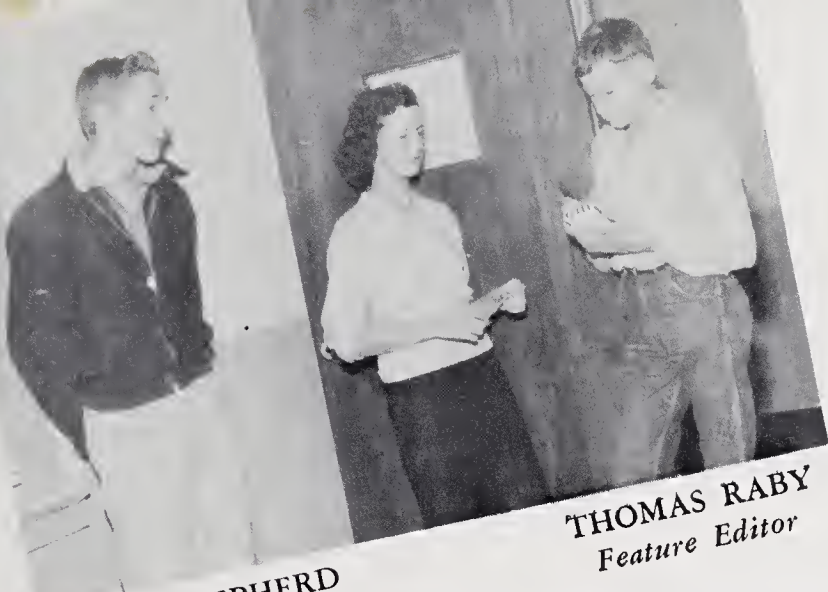
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. . . TO THE SENIORS

This could well be called the "Era of Advancement" at F.H.S. A new gymnasium and a well equipped science department, both completed during the 1955-56 school year, are illustrative of the great strides which have been made to improve educational facilities at Franklin High in recent years.

You, the Class of 1956, have been a living part of this great advancement. You claim the distinction of being the first class to spend four full years of high school in the present building which was completed in 1952.

You have also seen and taken part in phases of advancement other than the building programs. During your high school days, student government was introduced at F.H.S. and you helped adopt the Constitution of the Student Co-Operative Association.

You are the first group in the history of the school to attempt to raise all the money necessary for the class trip. You have seen the "Mountain Echo" change from a mimeographed paper to a printed monthly publication; the "Laurel Leaf" increase in size including the addition of a feature section and a larger sports section; and an F.H.S. Handbook printed for the first time.

Many other things which are a part of school life, such as the library and the band, have also been improved greatly.

Let us leave here with the comforting thought that these advancements will continue and those who follow us will enjoy them and benefit by them as much as we have.



Features



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"MISS SOPHOMORE"
"MISS SENIOR"
"MISS JUNIOR"
"MISS FRESHMAN"



MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED

Doris Teague

Tommy Gnuse



MOST STUDIOUS

Sally Mincey

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SUPERLATIVES

BEST PERSONALITY

Nancy Cable

Wardie Young

MOST ATHLETIC

Crawford Moore

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PRETTIEST AND HANDSOMEST

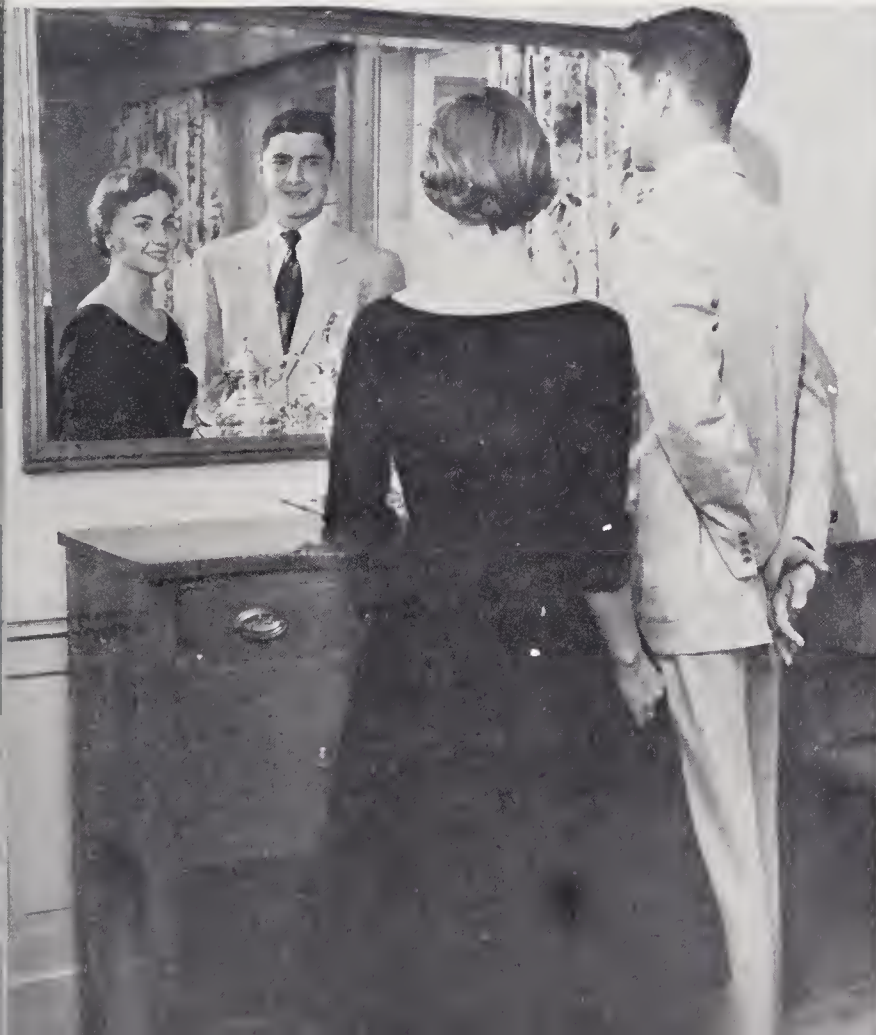
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MOST POPULAR

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Bobby Teague





CLASS FLIRTS

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Jean McCollum

Bernard Huggins





MOST TALENTED

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Joe Tippett

SUPERLATIVES

MOST DIGNIFIED

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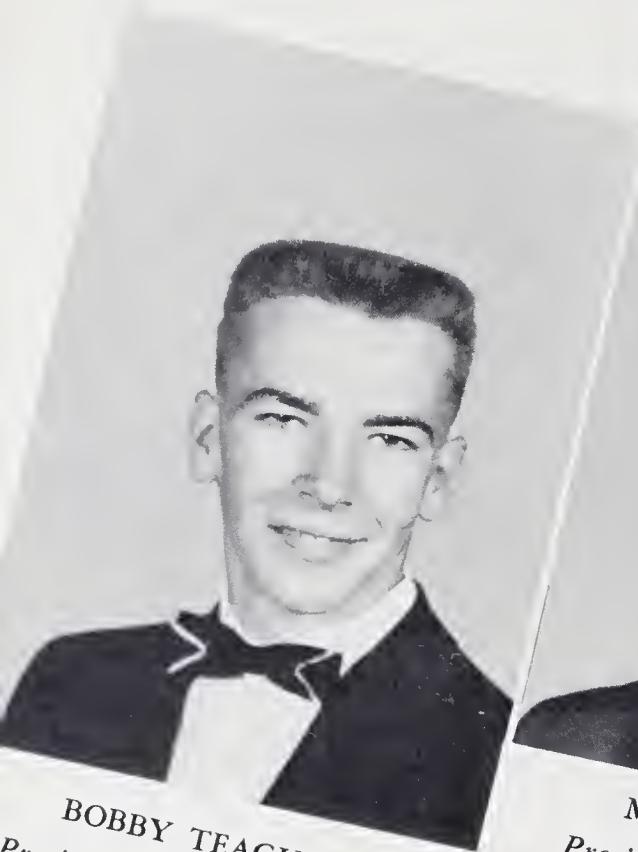
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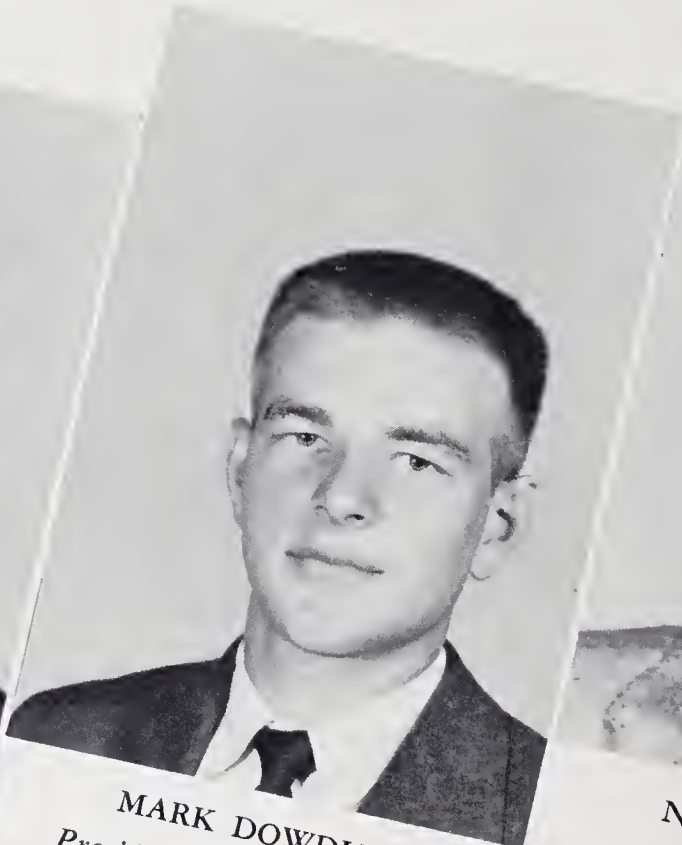
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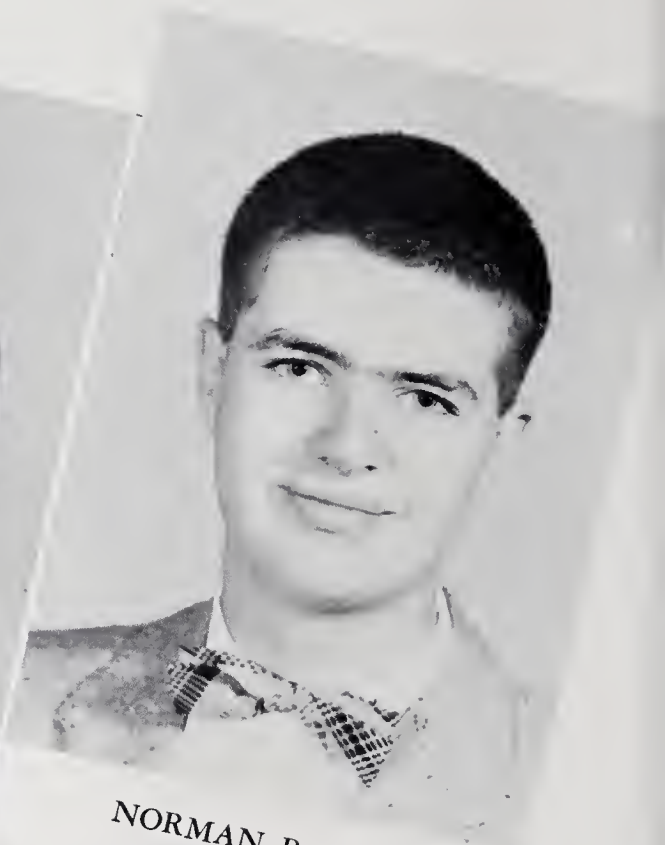
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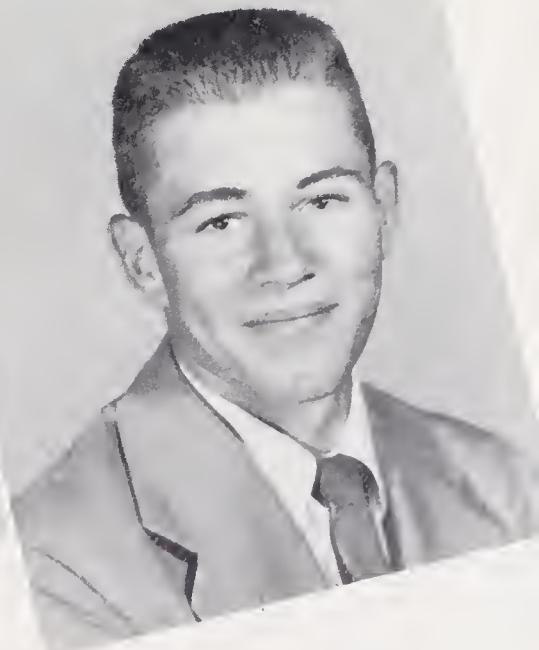
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NANCY SUTTON

Football



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Center
Senior*



MORRIS JONES

*Co-Captain
Tackle
Senior*



CRAWFORD MOORE

*Co-Captain
Quarterback
Senior*

HOWARD BARNWELL
Head Coach

BILL MENDENHALL
*End
Senior*



JERRY BAILEY
*End
Senior*

FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS

The 1955 season marked the return of Franklin as a football power in the Smoky Mountain Conference.

After a dismal 3-6-1 record in 1953 and an even 5-5 mark in 1954 the Panthers bounced back and rolled up 7 wins in 10 games to rank number 10 in Western North Carolina according to the final Asheville Times' poll.

Although only 2 starters returned from the 1954 squad, the Panthers finished with a 5-2 conference record and were only 1/2 game out of the top spot. Andrews and Swain each ended with 5-1-1 records and Swain won a post-season play-off to take the title.

Individual awards went to Morris Jones, who was elected by his teammates as the "Outstanding Player," and Tommy Corbin, who was on the honorable mention list of the All-WNC high school team.

The Optimist Bowl, an annual Thanksgiving Day attraction in Asheville, was discontinued due to financial difficulties.

Football



JERRY FINNEY
Halfback
Senior



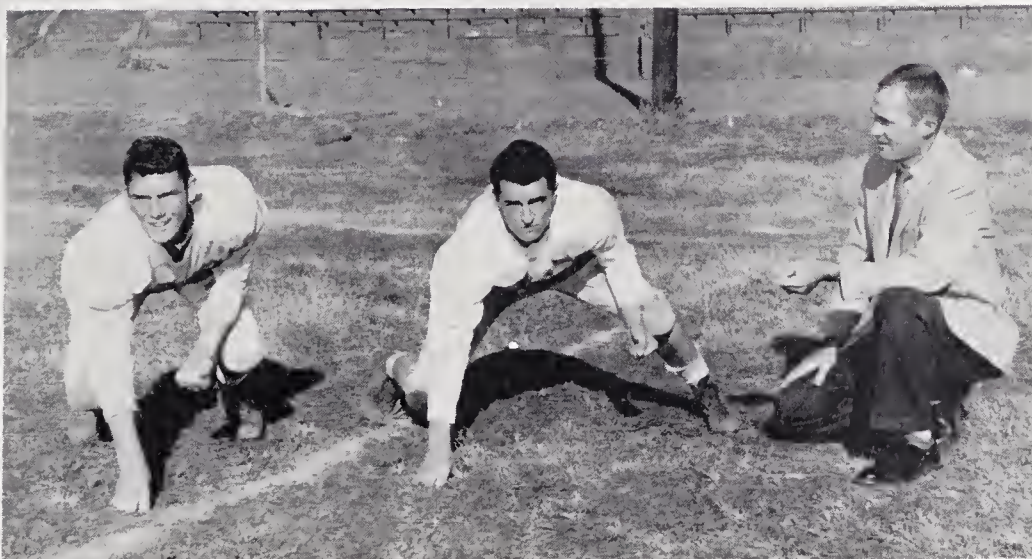
FURMAN MASON
Fullback
Senior



BUDDY McCLURE
Fullback
Senior



GILMER HENRY
Halfback
Sophomore



WARDIE YOUNG
Tackle
Senior

TOMMY CORBIN
Tackle
Senior

DICK STOTT
Assistant Coach

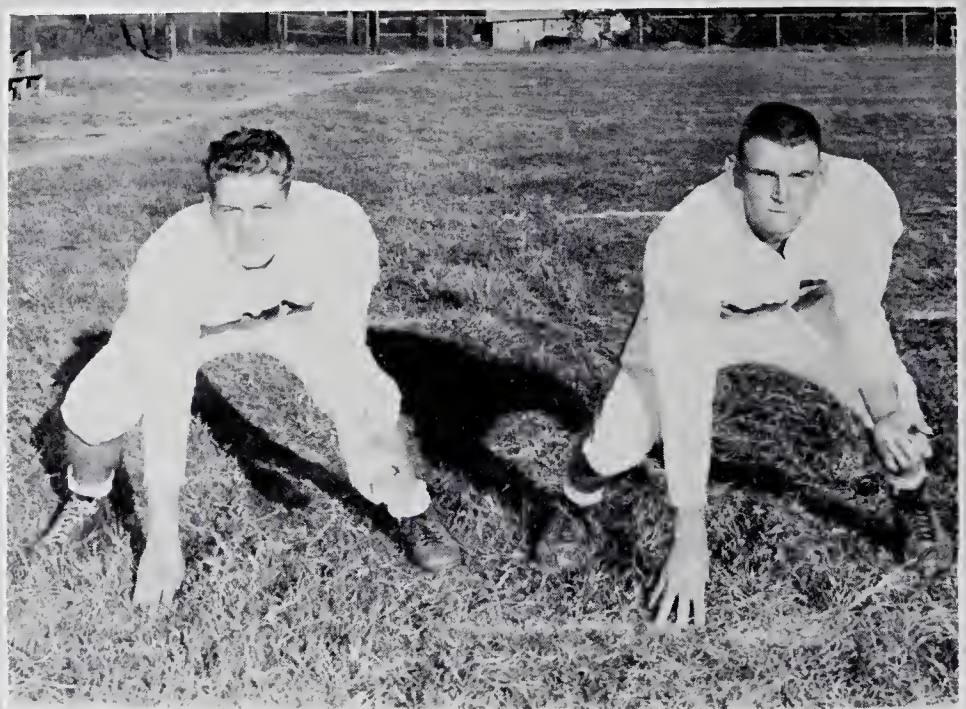
SEASON'S RESULTS

Franklin	6	Rabun High	18
Franklin	0	Andrews	27
Franklin	40	Hot Springs	0
Franklin	38	Robbinsville	12
Franklin	13	Hayesville	6
Franklin	13	Cherokee	6
Franklin	0	Swain	7
Franklin	7	Murphy	0
Franklin	19	Bethel	13
Franklin	38	Sylva	0

Football

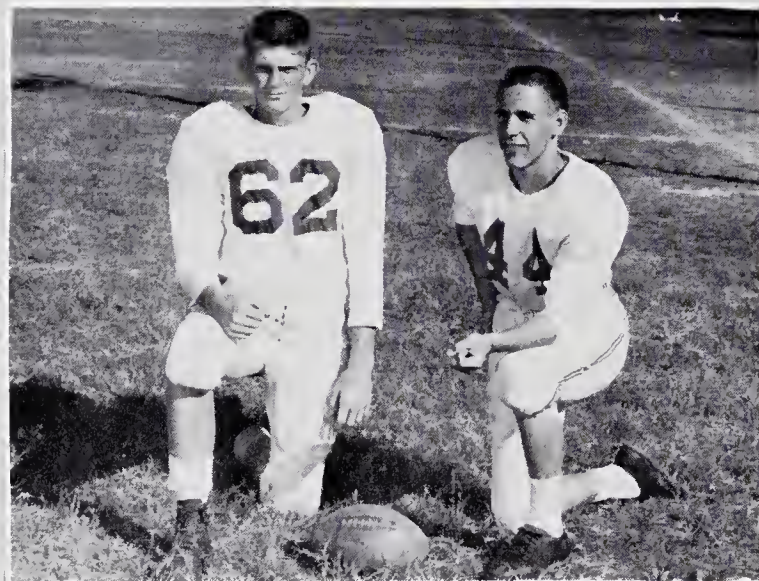


WILLARD SMITH / MITCHELL HOUSTON
Halfback Junior *Quarterback Junior*



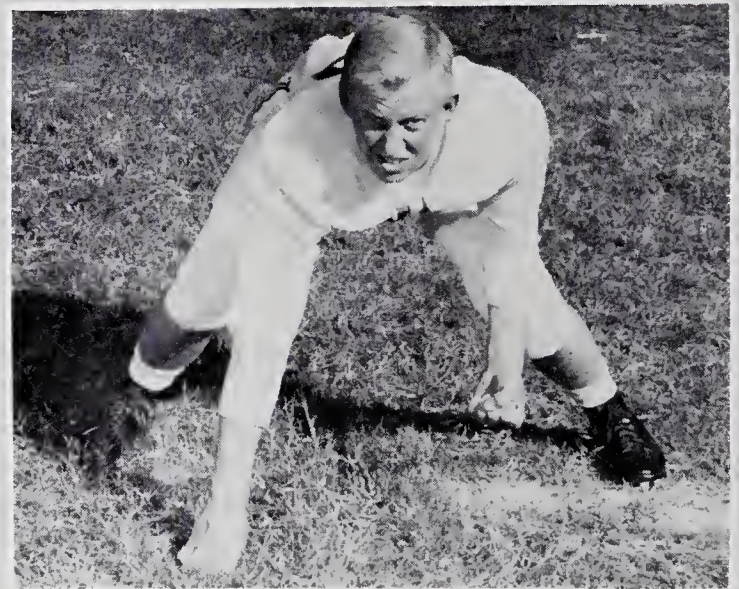
ZEB GUFFIE
Guard Senior

DENNIS MEHAFFEY
Tackle Senior



EDWARD SHATLEY
Center Sophomore

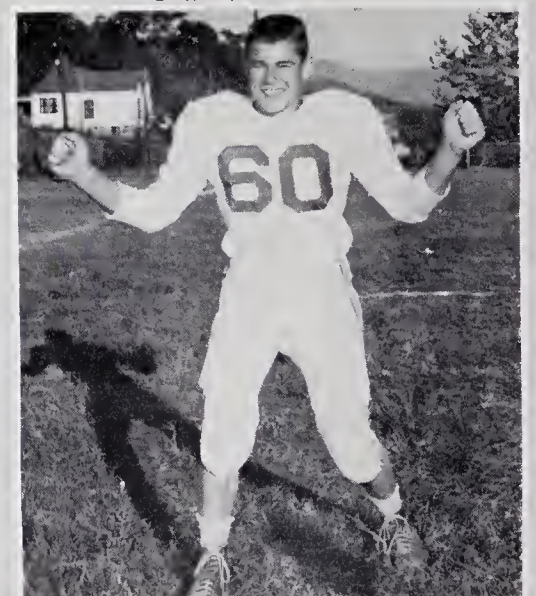
BRUCE HOUSTON
Halfback Sophomore



KENNETH BROWN
Guard Senior



Back Row, Left to Right—Pat Henry, Gary McKelvey, Bobby Young. Front row—Jim Henry, Larry Jones, Bobby Cabe, Edward Palmer, Larry Potts.



ROBERT ALEXANDER
Guard Junior

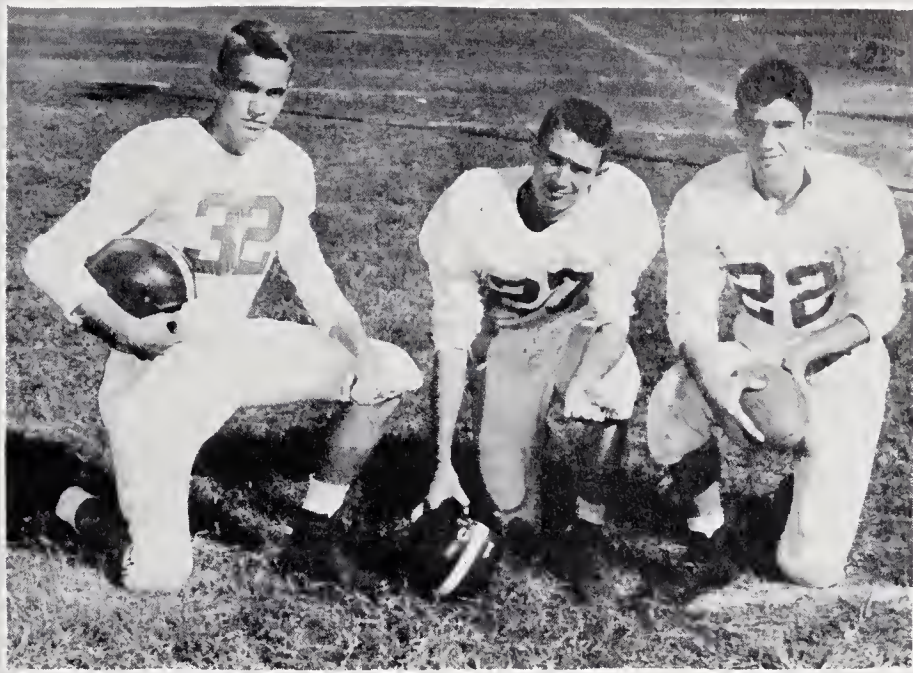


DAVID POLLOCK

*End
Junior*

JIM TYSINGER

*End
Junior*



FRANK McSWAIN

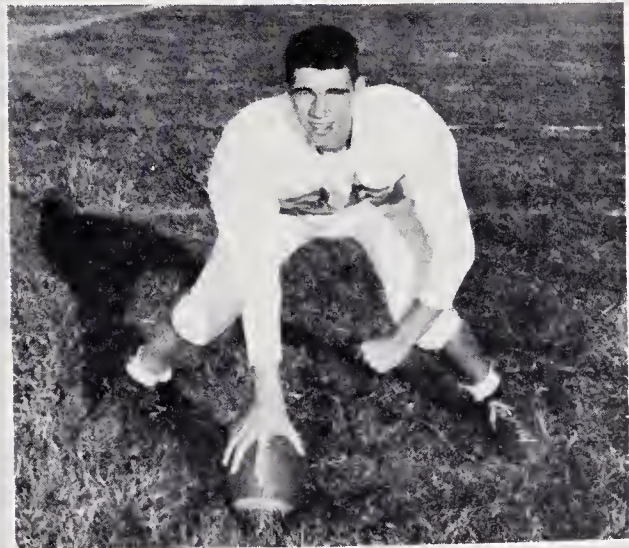
*End
Sophomore*

JOHNNY WOOTEN

*Tackle
Senior*

LAMAR MASON

*Halfback
Sophomore*



Football

TOMMY ANGEL

*Center
Senior*



JUNIOR VARSITY SQUAD: Front row, Left to Right—Johnny Killian, Wylie Anderson, Steve Solesbee, Don Ray, Mike Nickols, Tommy Adams, Bobby Swan. Standing—Harold Elliott, Darwin Hussey, Jack Hyde, Larry Brooks.



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Forward



LUCY HENRY
Forward



CAROLYN DOWDLE
Forward



EMMA WATSON
Manager



HOWARD BARNWELL
Coach



JEAN PHILLIPS
Guard



JEAN SUTTON
Guard



FRANCES McCLURE
Guard

Basketball



BONNIE LEE
Forward



BETTY JEAN ALLEN
Forward



JOAN MINCY
Forward



SYBEL LABOONE
Guard



MELBA MOSES
Guard



JEAN MOFFITT
Guard

GIRLS' BASKETBALL RESULTS

Franklin 19	Swain 36
Franklin 20	Glenville 48
Franklin 38	Highlands 25
*Franklin 41	Hayesville 52
Franklin 48	Sylva 56
Franklin 44	Cullowhee 11
Franklin 37	Webster 46
Franklin 39	Cherokee 35
Franklin 34	Swain 48
Franklin 37	Cullowhee 23

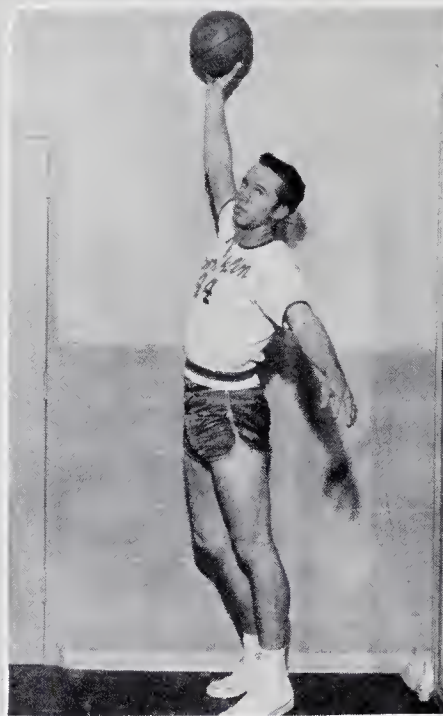
*Non-Conference Games

(Left to Right)—Gladys Dehart, Judy Mashburn, Geneva Garrett.

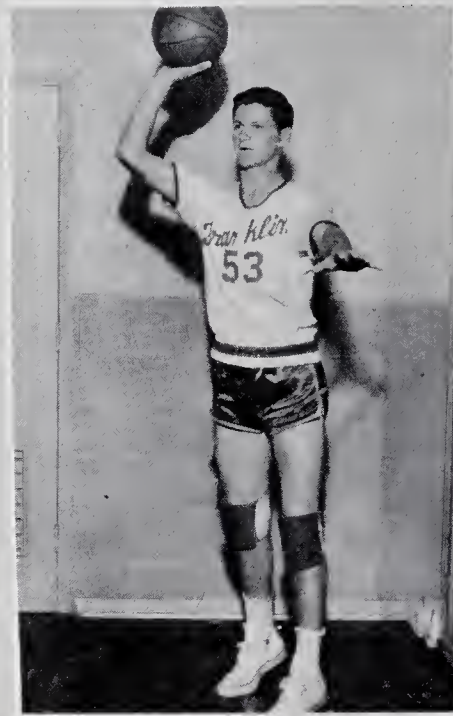




BILL MENDENHALL
Forward



MORRIS JONES
Center



WILLARD SMITH
*Forward
Captain*

ROBERT ALEXANDER
Manager

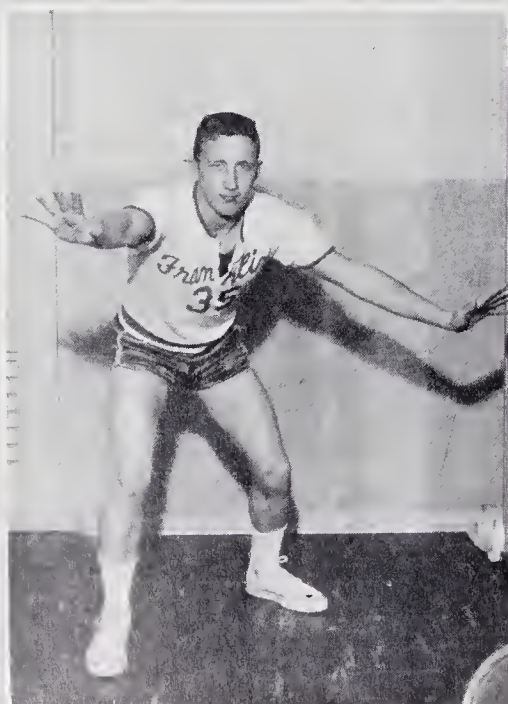


BRUCE CHILDERS
Manager

T. J. EDWARDS
Coach

BOYS' BASKETBALL RESULTS

Franklin 54	Webster 42
Franklin 39	Cherokee 53
Franklin 39	Swain 53
Franklin 51	Glenville 26
Franklin 69	Highlands 44
*Franklin 51	Swain 55
*Franklin 34	Erwin 53
*Franklin 41	Hayesville 34
Franklin 60	Sylva 43
Franklin 56	Cullowhee 60
Franklin 74	Highlands 30
Franklin 39	Cherokee 41
Franklin 62	Swain 45
Franklin 33	Cullowhee 74
*Non-Conference Games	



CRAWFORD MOORE
Guard



TOMMY GNUSE
Guard

Basketball



JAMES STUART
Guard



MITCHELL HOUSTON
Forward



TONY ORR
Guard



BRUCE HOUSTON
Forward



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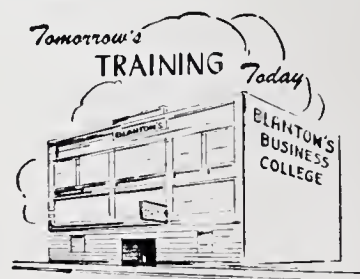
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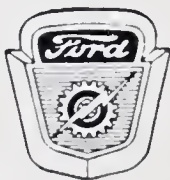
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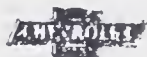
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